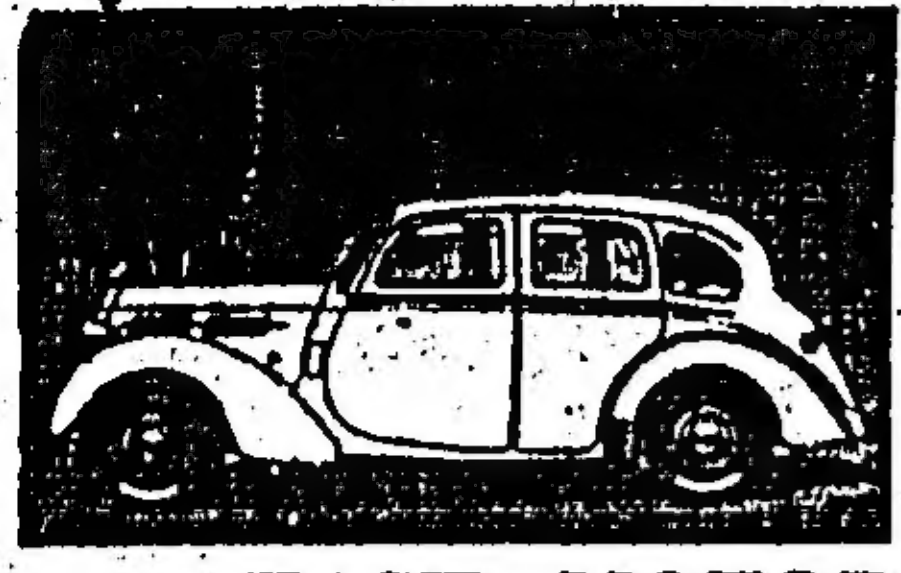


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Great Armada Of Warplanes Used In War Over Country: Zog's Proposals



OCCUPATION WILL BE COMPLETED DURING WEEK-END, DUCE SAYS

TIRANA, Apr. 7.

ITALIAN AIR, land and naval forces are landing at all ports in Albania.

Their total strength is estimated at 30,000.

Meanwhile, an Albanian force estimated at 12,000, composed mostly of farmers and workmen, is putting up a resistance.

The Albanians first drove the Italians from the city of Durazzo, but the Italians continued to pour in, and later started to attack cities in the interior.

Cities Destroyed

Official messages described the coastal fighting as being so severe that part of Durazzo and Valona were destroyed by aerial bombardment.

Later advices say that the Albanian resistance was overcome and the Italians are marching to the interior.

The Italian warships shelled Durazzo and Valona, inflicting heavy casualties among the population.

Even boys with rocks are reported to be harassing the Italians en route to Tirana where the Fascist bombers are repeatedly surveying.

VIOLATION OF TREATIES

King Zog sent messages to the Albanian diplomats abroad, including Washington, advising them of the Italian attack and announcing that the people of Albania "will defend Albania at all costs."

It is reported that one of King Zog's sisters is planning to recruit a women's amazon battalion.

It is emphasised that the invasion is a violation of all treaties and that Albania still continues to offer to negotiate for a settlement.

The Albanian Prime Minister to-day broadcast a message as an "open message to Mussolini" demanding the cessation of hostilities. He described the invasion as "barbaric." King Zog has appealed to Belgrade and other capitals for support.—United Press.

STRONG RESISTANCE

LONDON, Apr. 7.

THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND Italian troops landed on the Albanian coast this morning, and encountered strong resistance at Durazzo and Sangiovanni di Medua.

Meanwhile the Tirana short-wave station, continually broadcasting in five languages, appeals to the Albanians to unite and to fight to the last drop of blood.

A communique issued at the Italian Embassy in London late this afternoon stated that Italian troops were now proceeding into the interior, and were meeting slight resistance from irregular bands, but that the Albanian army were offering no resistance in any sector.

Italian planes were dropping hundreds of thousands of leaflets stating that Italian troops would be withdrawn as soon as the disturbances which had occurred during the past few days have disappeared.

The communique adds: "No bombs have been dropped on the civil population."

ALBANIAN RESISTANCE

The statement regarding the Albanian army is not borne out in a semi-official statement issued earlier by the Albanian press bureau in Tirana, which declared that "no Italian soldiers had been able to remain on our territory owing to the ferocious resistance of the troops and Albanian people, whose morale remains excellent in spite of the inequality of the opposing forces."—Reuter.

CROSSED ADRIATIC

ROME, Apr. 7.

Italian military and naval action against Albania started this morning.

REICH ATTACKS ON ANGLO-POLES

BERLIN, Apr. 6.

THE GERMAN news broadcast to-night said: "Poland is now venturing out into things from which it is well known that it is questionable that one can return safely."

Using language which is practically identical with semi-official diplomatic and political correspondence, the *National Zeitung* reiterates Germany's attitude on the Polish-British agreement in the most unfavourable terms, stating that Germany never intended to attack Poland.—United Press.

BUCHAREST, Apr. 6.

The Anglo-Polish agreements have been warmly received here. It is felt that the Rumanian-Polish alliance might be the means of securing British help in case Rumania is attacked.

It is also felt that the clause in the Anglo-Polish agreement, extending British aid in this case, would not be considered in Berlin as an unfriendly act.—United Press.

Beck Departs

London, Apr. 7.

Colonel Beck to-day left for Warsaw on completion of the negotiations for a pact of mutual assistance.—Reuter.

London, Apr. 7.

In the House of Lords to-day, Lord Plymouth replied to a query by Viscount Cecil as to whether it would be for the Polish or British Government to decide what constituted a threat to Polish independence.

It stands to reason, declared Lord Plymouth, that if Poland itself does not believe its independence to be imperilled, no other country would be able to take a different view.

Where matters of such grave character are concerned it is to be expected that the Polish Government will keep the British Government fully informed of every phase of development. It is unlikely that differences of opinion of any kind will arise as the policy of both governments is identical with respect to the need of resisting domination by force.—Trans-Ocean.

Warsaw Pleased

Warsaw, Apr. 6.

Authoritative Polish quarters express satisfaction with the announcement of the reciprocal Anglo-Polish pledge of assistance made by Mr. Chamberlain to-day.

Polish circles are anxious to interpret the mutual agreement as purely defensive, and not directed against anybody.

They are of the opinion that the agreement is not contrary to the German-Polish non-aggression pact, and has therefore, no effect upon the latter.—Trans-Ocean.

Final Talks

London, Apr. 7.

Col. Beck had a final talk at the Foreign Office with Lord Halifax late on Thursday evening, in order to clear up outstanding points.

In an interview with the Press after the final conversations, Colonel Beck expresses optimism regarding the future development of permanent and stable collaboration between the British and Polish governments.

He explained that both sides were inspired by a spirit of peace and conciliation in respect of all nations.

"We both have thought it right to affirm our solidarity by an agreed declaration," the Polish Foreign Minister said.

It is understood that Colonel Beck is seeing M. Tilsen, the Rumanian Minister to London, who returned from Bucharest, after consulting his Government.—Reuter.

To Visit Paris

Paris, Apr. 7.

The Polish Ambassador to France proceeded to Paris this morning in order to meet Colonel Beck and to accompany him to Brussels.

The Ambassador will inform the French Government of the views of the Polish Government on current diplomatic talks.

It seems highly likely that Col. Beck will visit Paris at the beginning of May.—Reuter.

Germany's Offer

Berlin, Apr. 7.

Germany offered to guarantee Poland's "complete independence and territorial integrity" for a generation, according to the "Volkischer Beobachter."

In return, Germany asked for the return of the "small, compact area which is inhabited exclusively by Poles."—Continued on Page 4.

JAPANESE CAPTURE KONGMOON

CANTON, Apr. 8.

THE HEADQUARTERS of the Japanese Expeditionary Force to South China officially announce that Japanese troops engaged in mopping-up operations in the West River delta captured Kongmoon, the treaty port on the lower reaches of the West River.

The communique admits that Chinese troops have been active during the past week, making repeated counter-attacks on their lost positions. It says, however, that Japanese forces successfully repulsed all Chinese attempts not only in the West and Pearl River deltas but also in the area east of Canton.

Chinese Deserters

The Japanese troops which reduced Kongmoon, staged a triumphant entry into the city on the afternoon of March 31. A force of Chinese troops who surrendered to the Japanese rendered "a signal service" in the attack on Kongmoon, the communique claims.

A large Chinese force attempted to counter-attack Tsangshing, about 40 miles east of Canton, on April 3. Scouting out the Chinese plan, units of the Japanese garrison at the strategic town launched a surprise attack on the Chinese concentration. Leaving over 200 dead behind, the Chinese dispersed in various directions.

Repeated counter-attacks were made by Chinese guerrillas on Tamsui facing Blas Bay since April 3, but all Chinese attacks were vigorously repelled by the Japanese garrison.—Domei.

LATEST

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Further Late News

Il Duce Tears Up A Treaty

World Reactions To Albania Invasion

PARIS, Apr. 7.
MUSSOLINI'S SWIFT move to annex Albania has left the western powers guessing and unable to act. It is known that the British Government warned the Italian Foreign Minister that an act of this nature would upset the status quo.

EXTRA EDITION AT 5 P.M.

In view of the European situation, an Extra Edition of the "Telegraph" will be published at 5 p.m.

It will contain, in addition to the latest news from Europe, Race Results and Cash Sweeps up to time of going to Press.

The usual week-end Supplement, included in this Edition, will not be republished in the Extra.

The pact, however, lays down that the status quo would be disturbed if the national sovereignty of any State is changed, and this is precisely what the Italians plan in Albania.

The inaction of the Yugo-Slavs in the face of this threat to their existence, by the closing of the Adriatic and the placing of the keys in the hands of Mussolini, has aroused much speculation in the chancelleries of the western powers.

The question is being asked whether Rome and Belgrade may not have fixed up some secret agreement under which Italy obtains an entirely free hand in Albania.

Risky For Slavs
This would appear to be a risky procedure for Yugo-Slavs since it would place her at the mercy of both Germany and Italy with diminished prospects of effective aid either from France or Britain because the Italians will henceforth dominate the entire Adriatic.

The Albanian coup was modelled on Hitler's march into Czechoslovakia, as the Italians move into the country in order to "safeguard peace and prevent the spread of Bolshevism."

New Vantage Point
The Yugo-Slavs declare they have no reason to move against Mussolini's annexation move, apparently overlooking the fact that the friendship pact which was concluded between Italy and Yugo-Slavia expressly stated that the status quo in the Adriatic must not be disturbed. The Italian absorption of Albania (Continued on Page 4.)

Italy—Land of Discontented And Disillusioned People

Kent Canon Saw Economic Misery Behind Fascist Facade

A VASTLY different picture of a Fascist Italy from the one which Mussolini seeks to impose on the world was painted by Canon F. J. Shirley, Headmaster of the King's School, Canterbury, in an interview. Canon Shirley has just returned from a three-months visit to Italy, undertaken for health reasons, and during that time he has talked frankly with the common people in Rome, Naples, Syracuse, Sicily, and all over Southern Italy.

THREE MAIN CONCLUSIONS

His conclusions may be summed up under three heads—

Economic Conditions.—Miserable. Grim poverty is widespread and multitudes are wretchedly paid. Acute discontent existed among all types of workers he met.

Foreign Affairs.—Germans are disliked by the masses, who wish to be friendly with Britain and France. They are not in the least interested in talk of "Fascist glory" and "the revival of the Roman Empire."

The Future.—A Superman—some-one far greater than Mussolini—would be needed to align the Italian working classes with Germany in a war against Britain and France. The country has no money, and would be disrupted by war.

WIDESPREAD POVERTY

Canon Shirley began by pointing out that he had visited Italy several times before and knew enough of the language to speak to the people openly and without difficulty. "I discussed politics and economics," he said, "with hotel proprietors, managers, clerks, waiters, porters, shopkeepers, guides, cab drivers and peasants, and they talked with surprising frankness."

"I saw some of their homes and their families, and there is no doubt whatever that they are dreadfully poor and acutely discontented. One man even went so far as to say that Italy would be no good until 'Julius Caesar' was re-elected."

"Poverty is grim, miserable and widespread. I had thought the slums of Dublin were about as bad as they could be, but conditions in the poorer parts of some of the towns I visited are indescribable and heartrending—you feel the inhabitants can be scarcely human."

UNEMPLOYMENT AND BAD PAY

"There is much unemployment, despite government activities in



Wearing a gray overcoat and uniform of the Fascist militia, Premier Mussolini of Italy leaves the church of Sant' Andrea Della Valle, Rome, after a memorial mass for the late Pope Pius XI. Foreign Minister Ciano is in background, chatting with a priest.

providing work, and the employment that does exist is for multitudes wretchedly paid. An hotel porter averages 200 to 250 lire a month, your chambermaid 100, the autobus driver 250, a good mechanic 400 to 500. Speaking in hundreds, these wages may sound imposing, but what is the value of the lire? The official rate of exchange is 88 to the £, but I could easily buy lire at 150. So 500 lire a month means something like £5, and it does not go far when you pay 100 lire for a reasonable pair of shoes, 200 for a working suit, and 400 a month for renting a three-

roomed apartment for your family of five or seven in Rome.

"These wages do not run to elaborate meals, and meat is eaten only on Sunday. Coffee and bread for breakfast, macaroni or beans for lunch, and potatoes for supper were the usual daily fare—hardly ever varied."

PEOPLE'S BITTER COMPLAINTS

"People were bitter in their complaints. 'Everything now costs more, they said, and they were much worse off than they were 20 years ago."

'Married,' Shook Hands, Parted

Two persons were "married" at a register office more than five years ago.

Immediately afterwards they shook hands and parted.

They never lived together.

Recently they faced one another in court at Feltham, when Thomas Evans, aged 22, a carpenter's improver, of Viola-avenue, Ashford, Middlesex, was summoned—by 21-year-old Violet Granados, for maintenance in respect of her daughter.

A woman barrister who appeared for Miss Granados, said her client was only 15 when she "married" Evans, although she believed she was 17 because of what her father had told her.

MAINTENANCE ORDER

The so-called "marriage" was void. Since August, 1934, when Miss Granados obtained a maintenance order against Evans for 12s. 6d. a week, Evans had paid £31 5s.

Evans said that he had married another woman and had one child.

"This young man has let himself in for considerable responsibility. Still, that is his affair," said the chairman of the Bench. "In view of expenses he has been put to we fix the sum at 6s. a week."

NEVER SPOKE

Later, Miss Granados said:

"For more than five years we have lived within a mile or so of each other, and have passed each other in the street but have not spoken."

"I would not have gone through with the 'marriage' if I had known my correct age."

They are severely taxed, too, and discontent is rife in all sections of the community.

"It is sharpened by the fact that this is proving the worst season for tourists they have ever had. Practically no English, French or Americans were travelling when I was there, and while there was a fair number of Germans, these had no money to spend."

"Where on earth was Italy drifting to, they wanted to know? Glory? What did the people want with glory—they had little to eat, lots of hard work to do, wretched wages, high rents, and were taxed right and left. The fathers and brothers had died in Spain and Africa—and what good was it all? Civilise Africa? Let Mussolini civilise Italy first. Why were they not in close alliance with Britain and France? Why should they ally with the Germans, whom they never had liked?"

"More than one person asked me why Mussolini should have wasted lives and millions in Spain, when the public were starved and undernourished. And not one believed the official protestation that the Fascists would be withdrawn from Spain without any quid pro quo."

FRIENDSHIP FOR ENGLAND

"I found a definite friendship in the hearts of the Italian people for England, and a tremendous respect for its solidity and might. Their attitude is almost one of worship. They regard England as standing for something more enduring than any other country."

Speaking of Italy's military value as an enemy, Canon Shirley said he was not greatly impressed with the physique and discipline of the troops he saw. In a crisis the Government could count only on the Fascist Party, while this numbered about 2,000,000, many were members from mere motives of prudence.

"Some of the youngsters are excited and proud at being put into uniforms on Saturday afternoons," he said, "but my firm impression is that the people of Italy as a whole are worried and depressed, with no confidence that they are being led in the right direction, and well knowing that a major war would write 'Anito' to the country."

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M. O. H. Gives It Up

Dr. Maurice Hounsfield, Medical Officer of Health for Stowmarket, near Ipswich, complains that, since the Ministry of Health has taken over the administration of first-aid posts from the Home Office, A.R.P. has become too complicated.

He does not know where he stands because of the difference in the instructions of the Home Office and the Ministry of Health, so he has resigned.

London recently staged the biggest A.R.P. parade ever held.

Many M.P.s were among the crowds who watched nearly 500 first-aid units and ambulances driven by women volunteers, march outside County Hall.

GAPS TO FILL

Fire-boats units of the Auxiliary Fire Service gave demonstrations on the Thames in front of County Hall.

When the volunteers had paraded in front of County Hall, L.C.C. Chief Herbert Morrison, who is chairman of the council's A.R.P. Committee, climbed on top of a fire engine and addressed them.

The large gaps still to be filled in the personnel of London Auxiliary Fire Service and the police war reserve are shown in a statement issued recently by the Ministry of Labour, giving the position as at February 10.

Of the 17,500 auxiliary firemen needed there were 9,086 enrolled; 3,437 motor drivers, compared with the 5,500 wanted; and for the other personnel for which 10,000 volunteers are needed, 4,245 had enrolled.

In the county of Surrey the total A.R.P. personnel authorised is 28,072, while enrolments number 40,132; and in the county of Middlesex the total authorised is 57,803, and the number enrolled 51,206.

ONE SHOT; 1,000 CROWS

A blast of dynamite which disturbed the citizens of nearby Delavan and caused wonderment over the countryside killed more than 1,000 crows on a farm west of here, according to Harold Palmer, who set off the charge. The birds were in a dense hedge north of his home, Palmer said, and several explosive charges had been set among the hedge trees.

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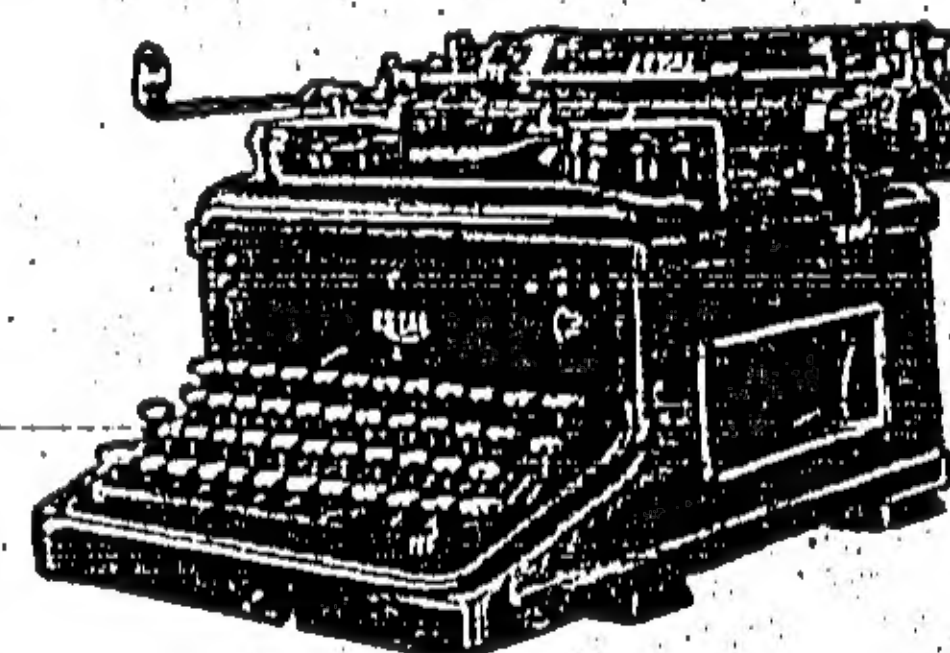
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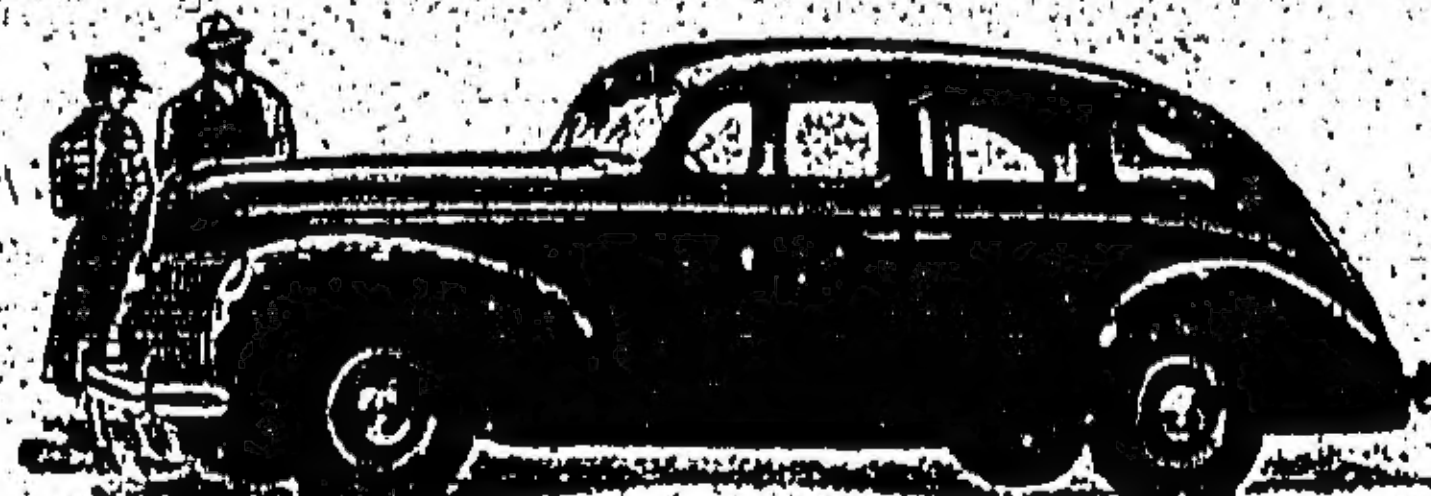


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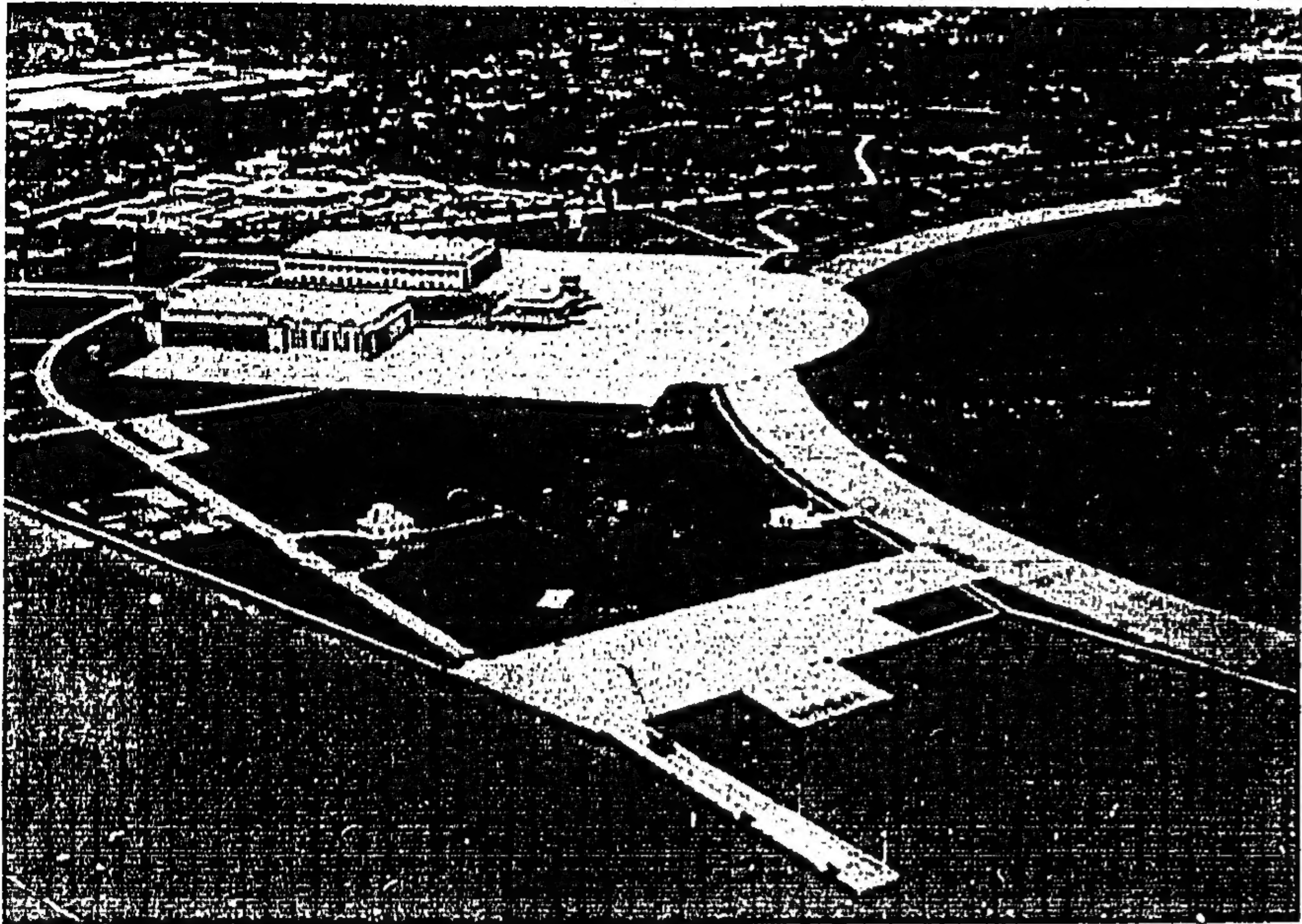
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FUTURE OF KAI TAK



(By Our Aviation Correspondent)

HONGKONG aviation experts now engaged in studying the future of the airport at Kai Tak, and the civil aviation development of the Far East will within a few months make recommendations to the Government.

The above picture, the latest to be taken of the Singapore land and

marine terminal, is of interest. When planned the Singapore field was stated to be the most up-to-date in this part of the world, but already after being only in use for two years word is being whispered the future air development of Singapore will require more facilities, hangars, a larger field, and the latest repair and engineering equipment available on the spot.

Imperial Airways flying boats call at Singapore six times a week on their way eastward to Australia and westward to India, Egypt and England.

Hongkong at present is served by five major air-lines, making a total of 14 planes arriving and departing every week.

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Public Schoolboy Was "Thrilled" By Burglary

A SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD boy at King's School, Rochester, was bound over at Tenterden, Kent, recently on charges of—

Having housebreaking implements by night.

Attempting to break into a post office; and

Breaking into a radio shop on two occasions.

The boy, Alexander Graham Clark, was said to have won his way to the school by scholarship, and to be studying to be a doctor.

He was found at the back of the post office on a Sunday night with a screwdriver, a dagger, pliers, skeleton keys, a hammer, forceps, an electric cycle lamp, and gloves.

His mother, it was said, had tried to get him to explain why he had committed the offences, but all he would tell her was that he had done it for a thrill. His headmaster was prepared to keep him at the school.

"But this boy is a criminal," said the Recorder, Mr. J. F. Eastwood K.C., "without any justification whatever. How can I send to

prison some one who is hungry and has stolen, and not send this boy?" He decided to bind him over, but said to Clark, "You have a position in life many people would envy. You are in a good school, have a profession in front of you, and money is provided by your mother.

"I am asked not to send you to prison. I don't know whether I am right, but I am not going to do it. You will receive every possible chance.

"But you ought to be thoroughly ashamed of what you have done. If you have not learned your lesson you can be pretty certain it will be the last chance you will get."

"LIE-DOWN" STRIKE

SALEM, Mass.

A "lie-down" strike on a railroad crossing nearly cost Dobbin his life.

Anthony Welsh, with the aid of the crossing attendant, persuaded his horse to make way for the Boston & Maine's Pine Tree Express, but the wagon was demolished.

Seeking A Film L. George

AMONG the characters to be seen in the British film "Kitchener of Khartoum" will be Mr. Lloyd George.

Mr. Herbert Wilcox, who is to direct the picture at Denham this summer, said recently that he may find the actor who will play the role, in Hollywood.

The Tsar Nicholas, Clemenceau and King Edward VII will also appear in the film.

Mr. Lloyd George has never been portrayed on the screen, although he was on the London stage in Emil Ludwig's play, "Versailles," at the Kingsway Theatre in 1932.

The actor was Frederick G. Lloyd. The performances were private, as the Lord Chamberlain did not license the play.

Mr. Wilcox is picking his Kitchener from among Hollywood's British Actors. His film will give an authentic account of the Field-Marshal's tragic last hours, compiled from facts in the War Office's possession.

Simple Spellers Have War Chest

Are you losing your "yooth" or your "ueeth"? Would you rather make a "million" or a "milyon"? Do you keep a "spaniel" or a "spanyal"? Those are "kwestyuns" or "kweschlons" which will have to be answered very soon.

A committee of speech experts, including two professors of phonetics, is trying to answer them now.

This reason for the hurry is that the Simplified Spelling Society has just come into £18,200. Mr. Justice Bennett, in the Chancery Division, has held that the society is entitled to that amount under the will of Sir George Burton Hunter, of Newcastle.

For years the Simplified Spellers have had to dig themselves in. They were not sure whether the £18,200 would come to them. Now that their war chest has been furnished, a simplified spelling offensive will begin.

The first simplified spelling dictionary is being prepared. A simplified spelling journal will be published. Lectures will be given.

The learned committee which is preparing the dictionary knows how it wants to simplify most English words. But a few continue to tease.

Professor A. Lloyd James, for instance, would like to spell "million" "milyon." Mr. I. J. Pitman prefers "milion."

"There are other problems," said Professor Lloyd James, "such as 'society.' Is it to be spelled 'sosiety'? There may be a danger of people pronouncing it 'sosyty.' So we may have to put a couple of dots over the 'c' and make it 'söcietü.'"

See? Or don't you?



Mrs. John R. Mayberry, society notable of Beacon Hill, Boston, strolling toward the water at Palm Beach, Fla. She is wearing an original bathing creation which combines the "little girl" style and the strapless shoulders.

A.R.P. Gives Donald 'Swim' Pool

Two-year-old Donald Spong, of Carlsbad-street, Islington, N., has a new wading pool in his backyard. But it didn't appeal to him recently as a good place for splashing.

The new pool, deepening from two to three inches with rain, lay dark and cold beneath the Spong family's scalloped steel air raid shelter. Under the water was a thick layer of mud.

Originally Islington Council workmen planned to sink the Spongs' shelter walls three feet into their backyard—and Mrs. Spong thought of training vines or roses over it.

But with the mud seeping up to within two feet of the backyard surface, the workmen gave up hope, sank the walls two feet deep and let it go at that.

Mrs. Spong doesn't know now just what she will do about the garden. "The routine peace and quiet of Islington's side streets has been changed to pandemonium by the shelter-building."

Picks clanging on backyard flagstones, muddy feet stamping through hallways have set the dogs howling, have sent the cats into fits of temperament. And the housewives—

"My nerves are all upset, dear," Sophie and the three other hens in Arthur Thomas's backyard, off Liverpool-road, N., have not eaten properly since Monday, when railwaymen dumped his shelter on the path to the henhouse.

"They ought to get used to it soon, though," Mr. Thomas said. "They'll see it doesn't move, then they won't mind."

Mr. Thomas has kept chickens—ten yards from the bustle of Liverpool-road—since he moved into the house forty-eight years ago.

He used to keep thirty at a time, but has let the brood dwindle to Sophie, a Lincolnshire buff, two black leghorns, and a grey of mixed lineage.

These four hens produce a dozen or fifteen eggs a week. Mr. Thomas sells them to friends at twopence each; to outsiders at twopence halfpenny. They bring in tobacco money.

Until they brought the A.R.P. shelter he was planning to set his hens on eggs as usual.

"But everything is too uncertain this year," he said. "They would never stay on the eggs if I'm going to have men in here tearing up the chicken run to make room for this tin shelter."

"It will be hard enough getting them used to laying in a new place."

In Bingerott-street, around the corner from Mr. Thomas, Mrs. Clara Lucas was having trouble with Tibby and Toby, her black cat and black dog.

Since two workmen, a foreman, and one of the council surveyors arrived to measure and dig in her backyard, Tibby had hidden, without eating, on a shelf.

Toby, rushed out of his customary sleeping place on a hall mat, sulked and snarled under the kitchen table.

"They haven't any right to act like this," Mrs. Lucas apologised. "The shelter will be as much for them as for me."

"If I forgot them in the excitement of any air raid, I'd come back for them. They are used to being alone with me here all day. They are both frightened."

The workmen were leaving then. "We'll be back at seven in the morning," said one.

Sea Escape Of Woman Scientist

Dr. A. G. Jacques, of the Rockefeller Institute, U.S.A., was drowned and his companion, Dr. Marie Lebour, of the Marine Biological Laboratory at Plymouth, England, was rescued when their small boat capsized off the coast of Bermuda recently.

The scientists had gone out in a small dinghy to dredge for specimens in shallow water, but their boat was caught by a current.

Dr. Lebour, who is in the 'sixties, was brought in by the bridge-keeper two hours later. She was in a state of collapse.

Dr. Jacques, whose body has not been recovered, was born in Sutton, Surrey.

GULF STREAM RESEARCH

Mr. F. S. Russell, naturalist of the Plymouth station, said:

"Dr. Lebour has been attached to the Plymouth station since 1916. Last year she was granted a year's leave of absence, and, with the help of a grant, elected to go to Bermuda to undertake a special study in which she was interested."

British and American scientists are collaborating in the first systematic study of the Gulf Stream. Observations are being kept by the British expedition in the research vessel Culver and by the American Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution operating on the American side of the stream.

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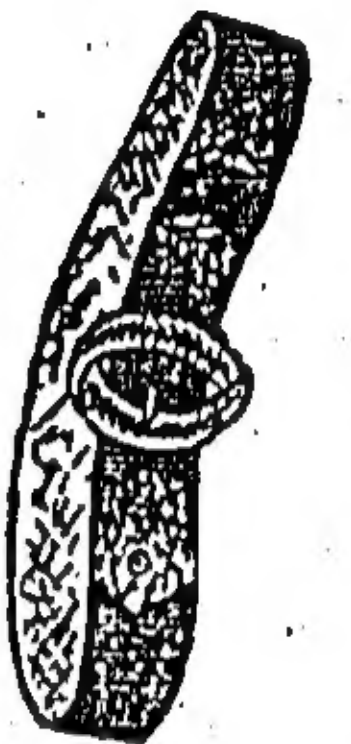
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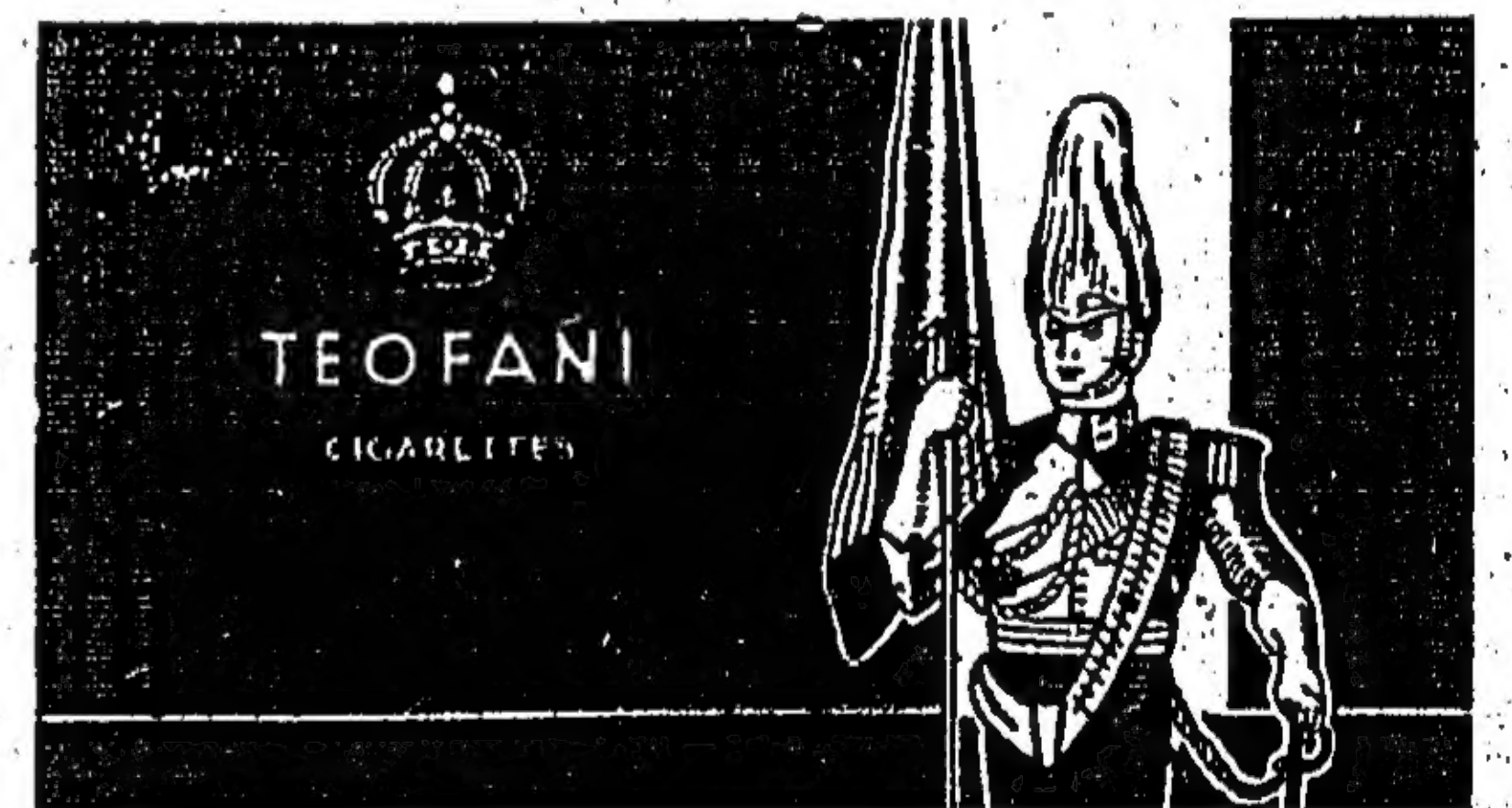
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Il Duce Tears Up Treaties

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will give the totalitarian a new vantage point from which to exercise pressure on the Balkan States to prevent their participation in the British-French-Polish chain against aggressor powers.

Thus, Yugo-Slavia and Greece, who are candidates for membership of the new line-up, will be under the immediate pressure of Italy, if Albania comes entirely under the Italian Empire.

Observers comment that if the western powers have any real determination to resist aggression they would immediately give unofficial aid to Albania, to preserve their independence and to effectively resist the dictators' latest blow against the democracies.—United Press.

Yugo-Slavia Silent

Belgrade, Apr. 7. It is learned that Albania has demanded the assistance of Yugo-Slavia, but that Yugo-Slavia has refused the demands in view of the treaty of friendship existing between Italy and Yugo-Slavia.

Another Rome message says that when Lord Perth saw Count Ciano, the latter gave the British Ambassador "full explanations and the necessary assurances."—Reuter.

BRITAIN AND FRANCE

Britain has consulted with France regarding the Albanian developments.

It is understood that neither Paris nor London envisage any practical measures to restrain the Fascists, although it is understood that Sir Alexander Cadogan described the attack as "clear" violation of the Anglo-Italian friendship treaty.—United Press.

MOSCOW

The Vice Commissar of Defence, M. Levinskii, declared that Russia is "prepared for any eventuality". He said that Russia is not concerned regarding the threats from abroad, and is not looking for any foreign allies.—United Press.

BURGOS

Advices from Burgos say that the Nationalists are considering a policy of "complete neutrality" in event the dictators and democracies clash.—United Press.

WASHINGTON

Mr. Cordell Hull held a long telephone conversation with President Roosevelt at Warm Springs to-day on the situation created in Albania.

It is understood that the conversations dealt with the effects on American relations with Italy and Albania, says Reuter.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull had no comment to make on Albanian developments, pending more complete information.

He said there are some Americans in Tirana who have taken refuge in the United States Legation. Also he said there are three United States naval vessels in Spanish waters ready for use if necessary.—United Press.

BERLIN

Germany has ranged herself solidly behind Italy.

The official German News Agency warns: "Germany has the fullest understanding for the protection of Italian interests, and would be able neither to undertake nor approve any desire on the part of the western powers to intervene."

Meanwhile, it is understood that the German Foreign Minister personally conveyed to the Polish Ambassador the German view that the Anglo-Polish alliance is considered to form an important part of the policy of encirclement of Germany.

Nazi quarters here do not hesitate to say that eventually Germany must have Danzig and the Polish Corridor.—United Press.

German approval of the Italian action in Albania is implied in the "Deutsches Allgemeine Zeitung" which declares that Italy is directly interested in Albania.

Her Adriatic policy is determined

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by a resolution to preserve peace.—Reuter.

PARIS

French diplomatic dispatches said King Zog intends retreating to the mountain fastnesses and leading guerrilla fighting. All advisers insist that the Albanians will not consent to an Italian protectorate, but that they are hopeless against odds.

The United States Ambassador to France is keeping in close touch with the French Foreign Minister.

It is believed here that Mussolini acted in Albania because of the serious European situation, hoping to bottle up the Adriatic and prevent Yugo-Slavia and perhaps Greece from joining the anti-Hitler bloc.

In a continuous session the Albanian Parliament unanimously rejected the Italian ultimatum and insisted that the entire nation defend their independence. The French Foreign Office has announced that any French action is not likely because at the end of the World War, France, Britain and the United States recognised Italy's special interest in Albania.—United Press.

LONDON

British official circles feel that it is essential to wait until the situation is crystallised, and official reports received, and considered before any considered judgment on the situation in Albania can be formed.

It is pointed out that many of the reports are contradictory, and other governments, including Yugo-Slavia, are experiencing similar difficulties in obtaining authoritative reports.

But it had been observed that the Italian Government on April 4 informed the British Government that

"Cat" For Arab Boy Condemned

LONDON, Apr. 7.

THE SENTENCE on an Arab boy which included a prison term and the "cat", was again raised in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary for the Dominions, stating that the Commanding Officer had reduced the sentence to 12 strokes and had directed the imprisonment to be served in a reformatory.

Mr. MacDonald said he was not in a position to intervene, but he explained that it was a policy of leniency in Palestine to encourage youths under 18 to carry lethal weapons with intent to kill, because if they were caught, they could not be sentenced to death.—Reuter Special.

It had no wish whatever to change the status quo in Albania, and in a scheme which they formulated earlier to the Albanian Government through normal diplomatic channels, for closer Italian-Albanian relations, they had not implied any diminution of the sovereignty, integrity and independence of Albania.

Viscount Halifax is remaining in London to be in close touch with the situation, and it is understood that other members of the Cabinet are close at hand. Cutlers at the Foreign Office to-day included the French and Turkish Ambassadors, the Rumanian, Greek, Albanian, Yugo-Slav and Bulgarian Ministers, and the Italian Charge d'Affaires.

The news of Italian armed intervention in Albania did not take British quarters entirely by surprise, states "Reuter."

Viscount Halifax's callers this morning included the Polish Ambassador, the Albanian and Rumanian Ministers, and the Italian Charge d'Affaires.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain arrived at Aberdeenshire this morning for a holiday.

A Rome report says that Lord Perth the British Ambassador, called in Count Ciano to enquire about the events in Albania, and their effect on the Mediterranean status quo.

From Berlin comes the news that a conference, presumably over Italian action in Albania, is proceeding at the Wilhelmstrasse.

Foreign political circles connect the Italo-German staff talks at Innsbruck with Italian move, and believe that it was not taken without the full sanction of Herr Hitler.

An Athens report says that Queen Geraldine, with her baby, has reportedly crossed the frontier into Greece for safety.—Reuter.

VATICAN

The Italian occupation of Albania shocked the Vatican in the midst of the solemn Good Friday ceremonies. It is authoritatively stated that the Pope is re-writing his holiday broadcast which is to be delivered on Sunday.—United Press.

BUCHAREST

It has been learned that the Rumanian Minister is proceeding to Istanbul to-night from Constantia aboard a Rumanian warship.

It is understood that his visit is principally to arrange a passage for British and French warships through the Dardanelles to aid Rumania in case Rumania is menaced.—United Press.

TOKYO

The rapidly changing situation in Europe as the result of the German and Italian advances, was discussed when four key members of the Cabinet Premier, Hirayama, Foreign Minister Arita, War Minister Itagaki and Navy Minister Yonai, met in a conference on Friday afternoon at the Premier's official residence.



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400 WARPLANES OVER ALBANIA

However, a later Tirana report says that Italy has accepted Albania's counter proposals, and an Albanian delegation is going to Durazzo to arrange for the cessation of hostilities.

ITALIANS REPELLED

Other messages from Tirana report simultaneous Italian landings being attempted at Valona, Durazzo, Cape Durazzo and Sangiovanni di Medua between 5.30 a.m. and 6 a.m.

According to a "Reuter" correspondent the landings were repelled after fierce fighting.

The morale of the Albanian troops and civil population is reported to be excellent.

"Reuter's" correspondent in Tirana says that King Zog, the Government and the diplomatic corps are all there. The Italian Minister and his staff at the Legation are also here and it is supposed that negotiations between the governments have broken off.—Reuter.

REINFORCEMENTS

It has been revealed that Mussolini has sent additional troops, warships and fighting planes to Albania in view of King Zog's objections to Albania being made an Italian protectorate.

Cities Occupied

Rome, Apr. 7. An official communique issued here late this afternoon states that the cities of Santiquaranta, Valona, Durazzo, and Sangiovanni di Medua are completely occupied.

A mission of plenipotentiaries sent by King Zog conferred with General Guzzetti, and submitted proposals from King Zog. These have been transmitted to Rome.

A London report states that the Albanian Legation announced at 1.30 p.m. that after a stiff resistance by the Albanian forces, Shenglin, Durazzo, Valona and Santiquaranta had fallen to the aggressors.

The gendarmic and civilian population would continue to defend their country inch by inch.—Reuter.

Belgrade, Apr. 6.

Official quarters here to-day stated that the Italian Government has notified the Yugo-Slavia Government that Italy would "take measures to protect her interests in Albania owing to the uncertainty prevailing in Albania and the difference existing between Italy and Albania."

The Yugo-Slav Prime Minister to-day summoned a Cabinet meeting at 11 a.m., after both he and the Foreign Minister and the War Minister had been summoned to the Palace last night for a conference with Prince Paul.

While it is intended to establish a protectorate in Albania, some quarters said Yugo-Slavia will take no military measures to prevent the Italian occupation of Albania.

Official quarters, however, said Yugo-Slavia would "take measures to safeguard her interests in North Albania" without indicating the nature of such measures.

Official sources to-day told the United Press that according to information received by the Yugo-Slav Government, the present negotiations between Italy and Albania at Tirana deal with economic and financial demands by Italy which amount to little more than the recent alleged demands on Rumania by Germany.

Apart from that, they said, Italy will proclaim a protectorate.—United Press.

Italian Planes Over Tirana

Tirana, Apr. 7. Demonstrations against possible Italian action in Albania continued all day on Thursday.

The Albanian Parliament, during its session on Thursday, declared that the Italian demands were unacceptable.

The appearance during the afternoon of twenty-nine Italian aeroplanes over the capital caused a great demonstration by the populace in front of the Parliament buildings, the Royal Palace and the foreign Legations.

The demonstrators shouted that the "Italian troops will occupy the country only over our dead bodies." Some 20,000 soldiers were mobilised at night.—Reuter.

Mussolini's Airplane Trip

ROME, Apr. 6. Signor Mussolini to-day took a sudden airplane trip, piloting himself in a tri-motored bombing plane.

He inspected the airfield at Jesi which is 10 miles west of the Adriatic port of Ancona and visited the town of Jesi, after which he flew back to Rome.

It is worthy of note that Ancona is 80 miles west of the Yugo-Slav coast. Meanwhile the Italian Under Secretary for War, the Chief of the Army General Staff, and the Chief of the High Command of the German armed forces are continuing their conference at Innsbruck.—United Press.

Britain Won't Interfere

London, Apr. 6. It has been authoritatively stated that Britain will refrain from any attempt to restrain or frustrate the Italian occupation of Albania.

It is doubted whether Britain's action will go beyond remonstrances to Italy on the grounds that the occupation of Albania violates the Anglo-Italian agreement.

British authorities have discounted the rumours that Italian moves in Albania might be a prelude to further action based on Libya or even a threat to the Dardanelles.

The news that Yugo-Slavia is deserting from armed resistance against the Italian occupation of Albania excludes the question of Franco-Italian support for Yugo-Slavia in this instance.

British commentators recall that Albania has been in fact within the Italian sphere of influence since soon after the World War.

The establishment of an open Italian protectorate in Albania would be partially plain annexation which

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RUBBER: Selling pressure was conspicuously absent.

HIDES: Sizeable "spot" business is reported in Chicago.

GRAINS: The Argentine export surplus of wheat totals 228,000,000 bushels. There is no constructive news regarding corn.

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Germans and for free passage northwards for Germans." The "small, compact area" is presumably Danzig.

These details supplement the inspired statement issued on Wednesday, in which reference was made to the chief port of Albania.

Secondly, he stated that Britain and Poland are "prepared to enter into a permanent reciprocal agreement to replace the present temporary assurances given to Poland."

He said the Polish Foreign Minister had given the assurance that Poland will consider itself obliged to render assistance to Britain. He emphasised that the agreement is not directed against any other country but that it is designed "to assure Britain and Poland of mutual assistance in the event of any direct or indirect threat to their security."

He said a similar alliance had been made between France and Poland thus three nations had been brought into the "Hitler bloc."

Mr. Chamberlain added that the British Government intends to proceed with consultations which are already under way with other Governments. These are believed to include Rumania, Turkey, Yugo-Slavia, Greece, and, perhaps, Bulgaria.

However, he said the agreement with Poland does not prevent either country from making arrangements with other countries for the consolidation of peace.

This is interpreted as meaning that Britain will be free to seize any opportunity to negotiate with either Italy or Germany.—United Press.

Albanian Defiance

Paris, Apr. 7. The Albanian Legation issued a communique to-day emphasising Albania's intention never to agree to alienate its independence or to allow foreign troops to disembark.

The communique says that the Italo-Albanian defence alliance of 1927 in no way authorises Italy to intervene for the maintenance of order in Albania.

Therefore, there is nothing to arouse the belief of any change in attitude by Italy.—Reuter.

Pledged To Fight

Tirana, Apr. 6. The Albanian Nationalists are pledged to fight for their independence and it is asserted there would be a revolt if the Government agreed to an Italian protectorate.—United Press.

Jugo-Slavian Precautions

Paris, Apr. 6. It is reported here that Yugo-Slavia has made informal inquiries in France regarding the Anglo-French anti-aggression programme.

The enquiry is a result of the Italian military gestures towards Albania.—United Press.

Goering At San Remo

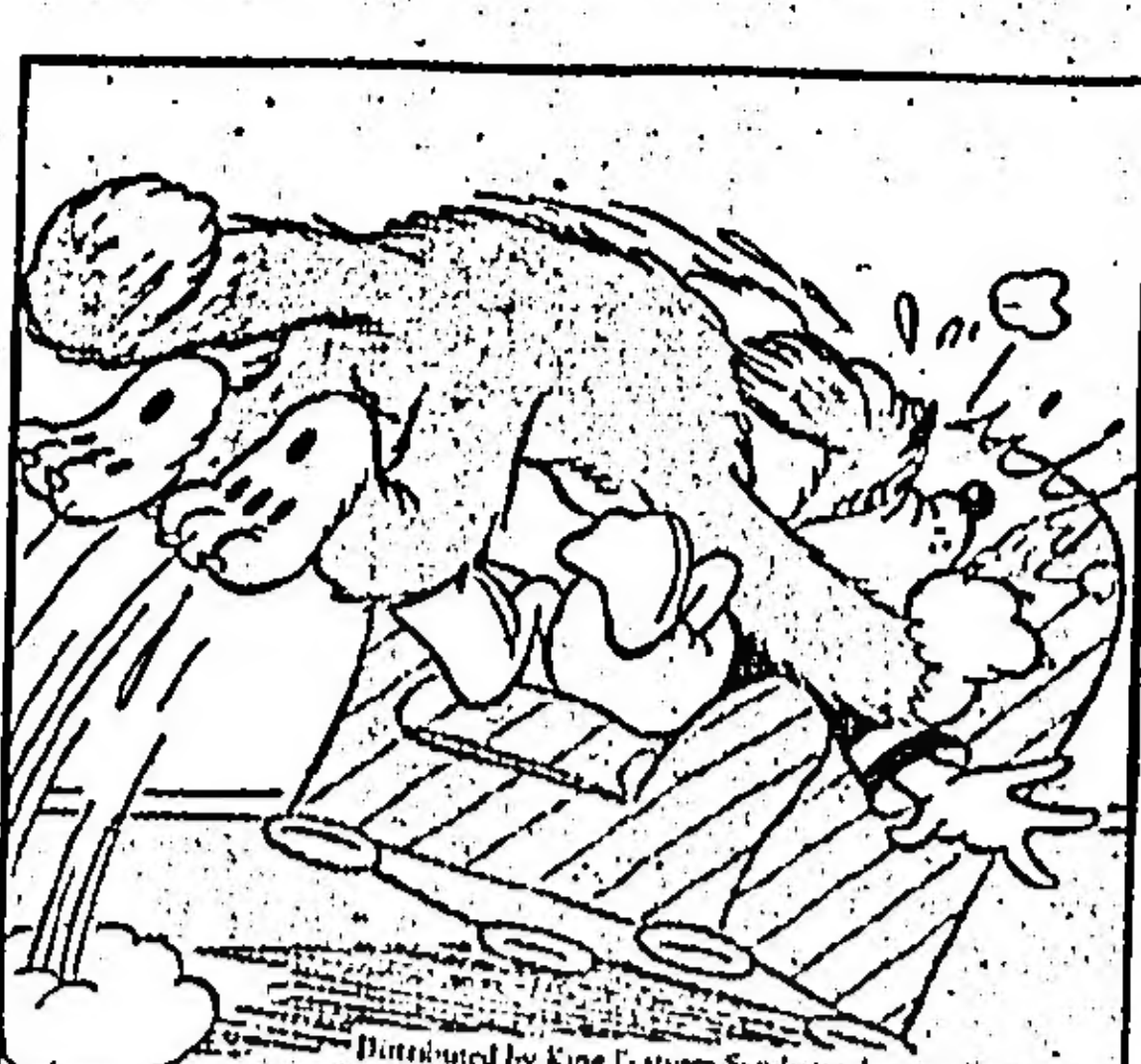
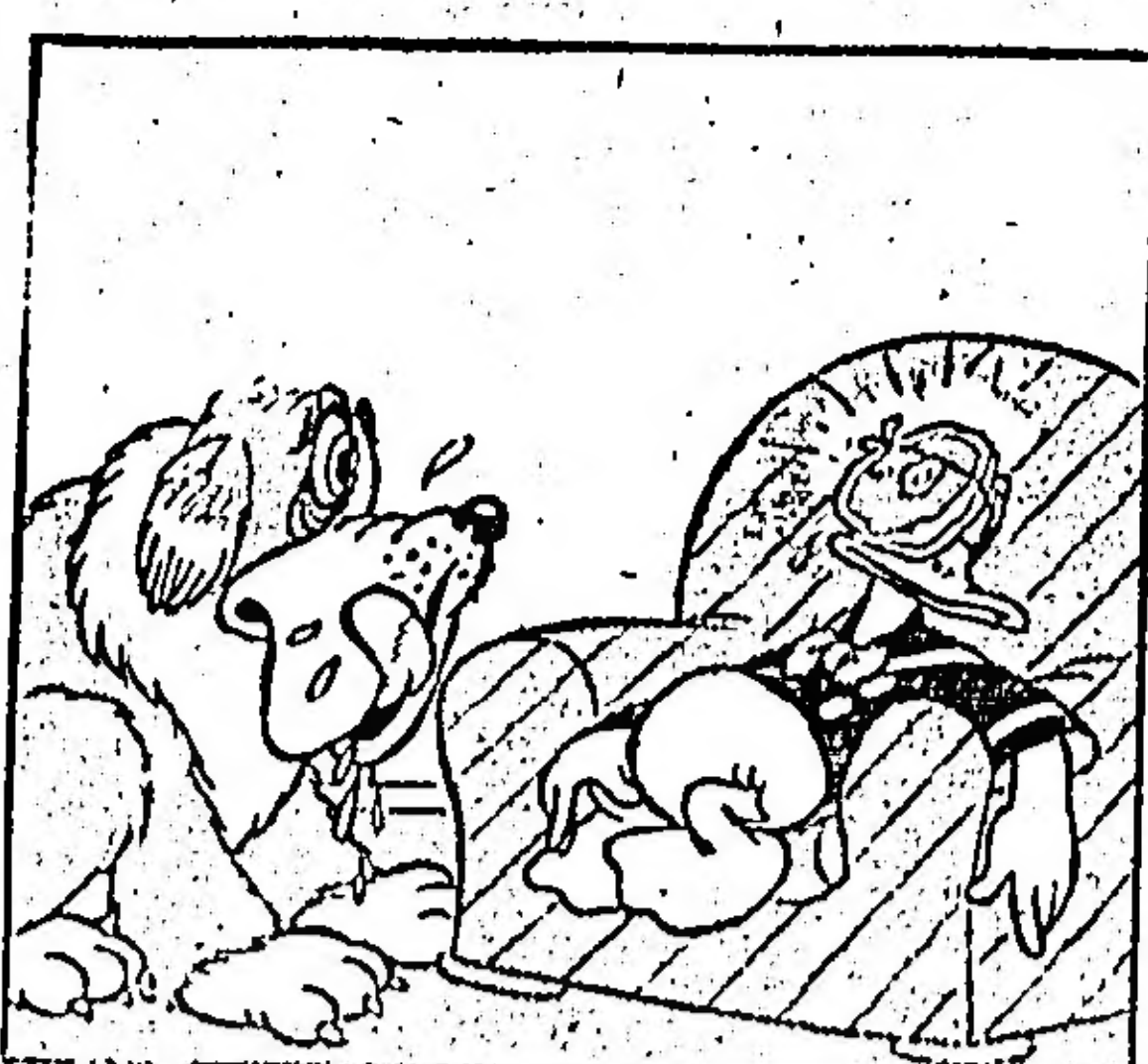
Rome, Apr. 6. The German Air Minister, Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, who is at present on vacation at San Remo, will embark on Friday aboard the Reggio di Calabria for Tripoli.—Trans-Ocean.

PASTOR TELLS OF TRAMP DAYS

LONDON.

The Rev. Norman Burns, minister of Tilehurst Methodist Church, who once held a travelling ministry in Canada and Labrador, surprised a gathering of homeless men in London by revealing that he once was jobless and "on the tramp."

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CHUNGKING, Apr. 7.

CLOSE ATTENTION is being given by the International Settlement authorities in Shanghai to the appearance of anti-British and anti-Chiang Kai-shek posters in the city, according to a report from Shanghai.

Many such posters were discovered pasted on the walls along the streets in the western districts yesterday.

A number of them also appeared in Nanking and Kiukiang Roads.—Central News.

CANTON SITUATION

CANTON, Apr. 7.

THE JAPANESE authorities here will not countenance any anti-British campaign in Canton, and are closely watching the situation in this connection.

This assurance was given by a Japanese spokesman at a press conference to-day in reply to a foreign correspondent, who drew attention to the posters he had seen in the city denouncing the British loan to China.

The spokesman professed ignorance of the origin of the posters, and asserted that undoubtedly the authorities would look into the matter.

In reply to other questions, the spokesman strongly denied the claim made in Chungking that Chinese planes raided Canton a few days ago and destroyed ten large Japanese planes on the ground.

Since the occupation of Canton by the Japanese last October, he added, the city had not experienced a single Chinese air raid.

He announced that all persons proceeding from Canton to the occupied areas in Central China, including Shanghai and Nanking, must in future, carry a certificate showing that they have recently been inoculated against cholera and small-pox. The regulation applies to foreigners as well as to Chinese.

Campaign On Crime

Speaking of the Japanese campaign against crime, the spokesman announced that 71 Chinese had been convicted of armed robbery or looting and were shot a few days ago.

This was the second mass execution of criminals since the occupation, and followed a swift trial.

The spokesman then said he wished to correct a misunderstanding regarding the usefulness of the Good Citizen badges system. He declared that the system was useful at the start, but it no longer served its purpose when too many were issued—to over 500,000 people, all of whom, of course, could not claim to be good citizens.

Kowkong Accident

He revealed that one Japanese cameraman was killed and four others injured as a result of an accident near Kowkong, about 25 miles southwest of Canton at the end of March, while a party of 18 Japanese journalists and cameramen were returning by bus from a tour of the battle areas. He said they were attacked by some "Chinese remnant troops" and, for some reason, the bus overturned, causing the death of Mr. Shiraki, a cameraman of the South China Photo Service.

He asserted that Chinese volunteers were co-operating with the Japanese forces in the mopping-up operations in the West River delta which began on March 27.—Reuter.

Opium In Shanghai

London, Apr. 7.
In a written reply to Sir John Hanning in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler stated that Viscount Halifax was making enquiries regard-

War Chief
Warns
Jap. Army

"THERE IS no knowing what will happen in the immediate future."

"The task set before the Japanese Army is becoming increasingly grave."

This frank admission was made by the Japanese Minister for War, General S. Itagaki, in an address to a conference of Divisional Army Commanders at the War Office on Thursday.

The report was brought to Hongkong by "Domei".

The prospect of fulfilling Japan's plan for a "new order" in East Asia is still remote, the War Minister confessed.

General Itagaki stressed the necessity of reforming the military administration and enhancing military discipline, despite the brilliant successes achieved in various parts of China.

"The execution of the Army Budget for the current fiscal year, which amounts to an unprecedented high level, will have grave effects upon national finance," he declared.

"Efforts should be made to economise in military expenditure and the consumption of materials."

CHAPEL HILL, North Carolina, Apr. 6.
MR. TSWEIN LING TSUI, First Secretary to the Chinese Embassy to Washington, to-day told the University of North Carolina that Japan's war plans contemplate the occupation of all the South Seas islands, including the Philippines and the Dutch East Indies.

He said Japan definitely began the execution of their policy of economic and political domination of Asia and adjacent areas when they started their campaign in Manchuria in September, 1931.

Their programme consists, he said, of two parts:

1. The Army's continental policy envisioning the conquest of China and other Asiatic countries.
2. The Navy's policy in the South Seas, in which the Philippines and Dutch East Indies are included.

He charged that Japan intends to use China as a base for their anticipated clash with other nations for domination of Asia and the Pacific.

In order to accomplish this, he declared, Japan must crush all Chinese resistance and uproot foreign business. He said foreigners will be allowed to operate in China only if they do not compete with Japan.

Slammed Open Door

Japan has slammed the open door through the destruction of Chinese and foreign businesses by trade monopolies and the issuance of irredeemable banknotes, as well as their refusal to permit foreign traders to return to the occupied areas and legalised smuggling, which is blessed by the Japanese Army.

Japanese officials, he claimed, have admitted that 40,000 tons of Japanese goods have been smuggled into Shanghai free of duty.

Japan's slogan "Asia for the Asians," he said, is really "Asia for the Japanese."—United Press.

Congress And Japan

Washington, Apr. 6.
The Sino-Japanese hostilities have again become the outstanding issue in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee debates.

Senator Borah said he was not entirely against the cash-and-carry system "but it seems that under this system we immensurably strengthen Japan as compared with China."

Senator Hiram Johnson attacked the cash and carry system under which, he said "we become an ally of Japan in the Pacific and of Great Britain in the Atlantic."

Senator Key Pittman urged for the adoption of the system because it does not change the present status of the Sino-Japanese situation.

In response to Senator Schwelienbach's question, Mr. Bernard Baruch said the selling of scrap iron to Japan probably did not constitute material aid to Japan.—United Press.

Spratly Islands

London, Apr. 6.
The Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, told Mr. Geoffrey Mander in the House of Commons that any protest against the Japanese annexation of the Spratly Islands was a matter for France instead of Britain.

He added that Britain is maintaining contact with Paris on the matter. In response to Mr. Wedgwood Benn's question whether the Islands were also strategic to Britain, Mr. Butler said: "Obviously they are of great strategic importance."—United Press.

Japanese Settlement

Tokyo, Apr. 6.
The Spratly group, which the Japanese Government have placed under the jurisdiction of the Government-General of Formosa, consist of 14 islands, according to an Admiralty spokesman.

Replying to a foreign correspondent to-day, the spokesman dismissed as groundless the rumour that a Japanese landing party landed on the islands six weeks ago, or that any new step has been taken to guard the islands.

The spokesman revealed that the largest island of the group is Nagashima, or Long Island, which is about 40 hectares in area.

The spokesman stated that a Japanese business corporation has been working phosphate mines on the islands since 1917.

Definite figures are not available, but the annual production of phosphate is considerable, the spokesman said.—Domei.

No Strike This
Year In France

Paris, Apr. 6.
Contrary to the decision made last year, the General Federation of Trade Unions in France will this year not declare a one-day general strike on May 1.

A motion to this effect was carried to-day by the national committee of the Trades Unions Federation.—Trans-Ocean.

Another Chinese column driving down the Canton-Hankow Railway recaptured Sunkai and Kongsun, respectively about 17 and 11 miles north of Canton, on Thursday. The Japanese, clinging to the blockhouses at Sunkai were totally annihilated. The victorious Chinese column is reported to be pressing on Canton.—Central News.

DISCRIMINATION BY
MANCHUKUO GOVT.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 6.

AT A press conference to-day, Secretary of State Mr. Cordell Hull, said Japan has accumulated big supplies of American materials in Manchukuo for use against China and future operations.

He revealed that during 1938 Manchukuo's purchases from the United States aggregated about \$17,000,000 mainly for military supplies, including \$1,556,000 for raw cotton, \$5,888,000 for manufactured steel, \$4,000,000 for oils, and \$4,000,000 for machinery mostly automobiles for mechanised troops.

These he said were all abnormal military purchases.

He therefore refuted Senator Nye's accusation that the State Department had unfairly charged Manchukuo with discriminating against United States trade.

Mr. Hull reiterated that America is suffering from Manchukuoan discrimination.—United Press.

ing the report published in a Shanghai newspaper on March 1 that opium dens in a Shanghai district outside the jurisdiction of the Municipal Council had been licensed by the Japanese authorities.—Reuter.

China Claims
Many Gains
Recapture Towns
In Kwangtung

SZEWUI, Apr. 7.

RAPID progress has been made by the Chinese in their counter-offensive on various fronts in Kwangtung.

Sunwui, 45 miles southwest of Canton and six miles southwest of Kongmoon, was re-captured by the Chinese on Wednesday evening after hand-to-hand combats. Street fighting developed in the city.

Co-ordinating with their counter-assault in the Sunwui-Kongmoon area, the Chinese smashed down the West River in a forceful drive, successively recapturing Samkong, Yun-yao, Mukemih, Lamkong, and Old Samshul City.



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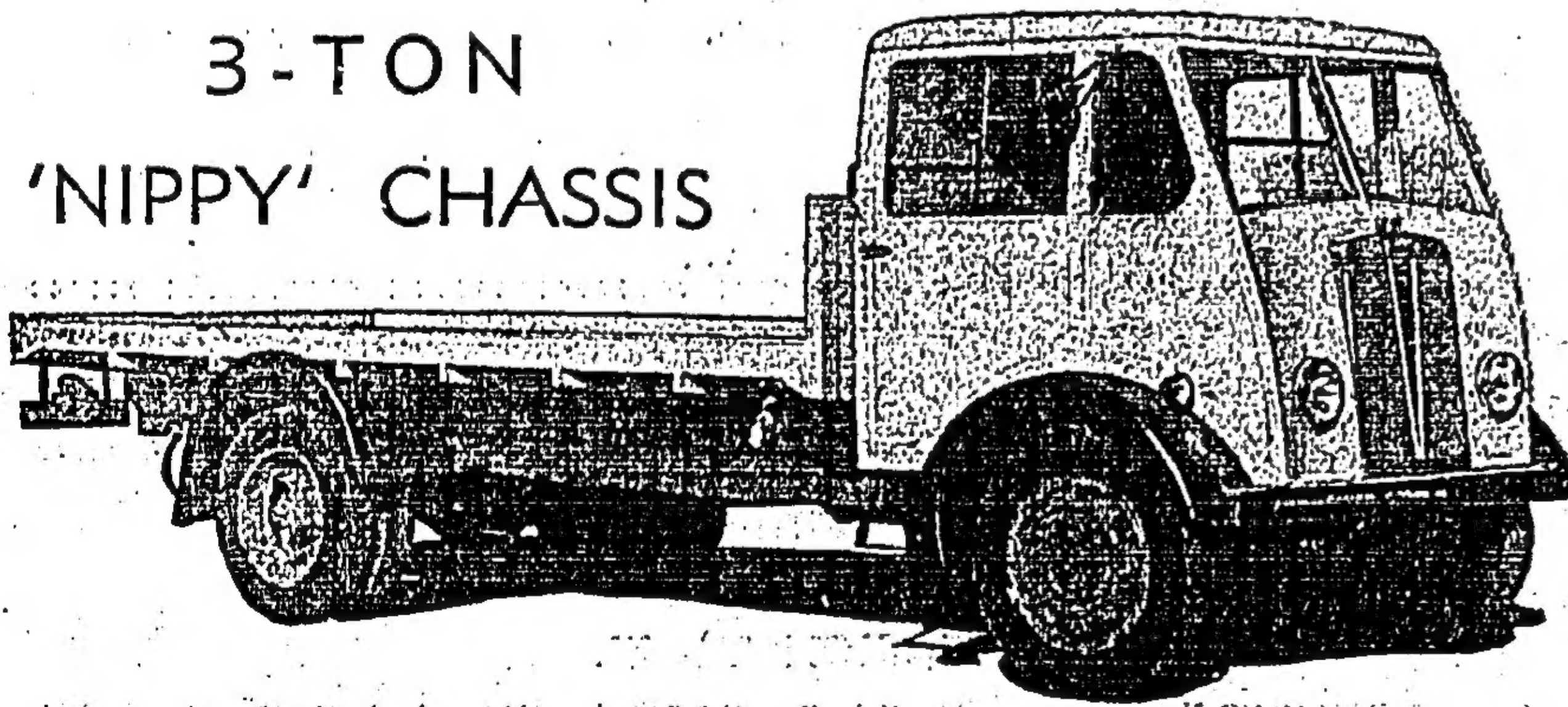
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EMPIRE NEWS

KENYA INDIANS' PROTEST

Nairobi. The publication of the Order in Council, defining the boundaries of the Kenya Highlands and re-establishing the European Advisory Board for land transfers, arouses the opposition of the Indian leaders.

They announce the most vigorous resistance to this "reflection on their national honour."

The main cause of the protest is the Imperial Government's decision to continue, for purposes of administrative convenience, the practice of the past 30 years not to permit non-European ownership of agricultural land in the Highlands area.

Indians have always opposed the exclusion of their community as part of their political fight for equality as British subjects. The Congress executive, which has been in close touch with Congress leaders in India and the Indian Government, announces a programme of hartals and street processions on March 3, when the order becomes operative.

Ally Khan's Visit.—The Ally Khan, son of the Aga Khan, arrived at Mombasa recently from Dar-es-Salaam.

INDIA

SUPPORT FOR KENYA PROTEST

New Delhi. In a communique recently announcing the British Government's decision contained in the Kenya Highlands Order in Council, the Government of India says:

"The Government of India must observe that this decision will cause profound disappointment among all sections of Indian opinion both in Kenya and this country, particularly because of the preference which it accords even to non-British subjects of European race.

"The Government of India is fully in sympathy with Indian opinion."

NEW ZEALAND

DAIRY INTERESTS' DEMAND

Auckland. Mr. W. Nash, Minister of Finance, is desirous of maintaining guaranteed prices for butter and cheese next season at the present level. Dairy interests are objecting on the ground that rates now fixed are unfair.

A new division has been formed at the Department of Agriculture for research into animal diseases.

Mutton Conference.—Mr. Nash, as Minister of Marketing, and the Meat Producers' Board, conferred recently on the position arising from the United Kingdom's restrictions on mutton and lamb imports. It was agreed that there would be no restriction on sheep and lamb killings, and that the necessary steps would be taken to deal with any surplus over the quota.—Reuter.



After losing his job as dish-washer, John Bollinger, 35, of Denver, Colo., started walking backwards. He's shown in hospital. Psychiatrists said it was a form of frustration.

Daisies Will Grow Over A.R.P. Shelters

Picking their way over lumps of yellow clay in tiny back gardens, the leaders of Islington Borough Council, recently, paid an official visit to the first Anderson steel shelters to be completed in Carlsbad-street, N.

Carlsbad-street people are calling them "skelters."

One of the shelter owners, Mrs. Edith Spang, had planted daffodils and Michaelmas daisies in the earth piled over the steel.

Yellow curtains with a pelmet draped the entrance, and a toy elephant wearing a gas mask stood on top.

The Islington councillors and officials were not greatly impressed by the shelters.

"From the first we have pressed for bomb-proof shelters giving the maximum protection against direct hits," said Alderman Gwyn Jones, chairman of the A.R.P. Committee.

"As the Government is not of the same opinion, it is our duty to carry

out its schemes as efficiently as possible.

"These shelters are better than nothing. But the more I see of them the more I think that they are not adequate for a crowded borough like Islington."

Householders in Treaty-street, which runs back to back with Carlsbad-street, will get no shelters. Their paved back yards are not big enough to hold them.

"The residents are wondering what they are supposed to do."

"Will we be entitled to go into the Carlsbad-street shelters?" asked Mrs. Emma Harris, a Treaty-street resident.

"Leave that to the new A.R.P. Act," replied a council official. "It will cover a multitude of sins."

Beauty Expert LOST 26lbs UGLY FAT

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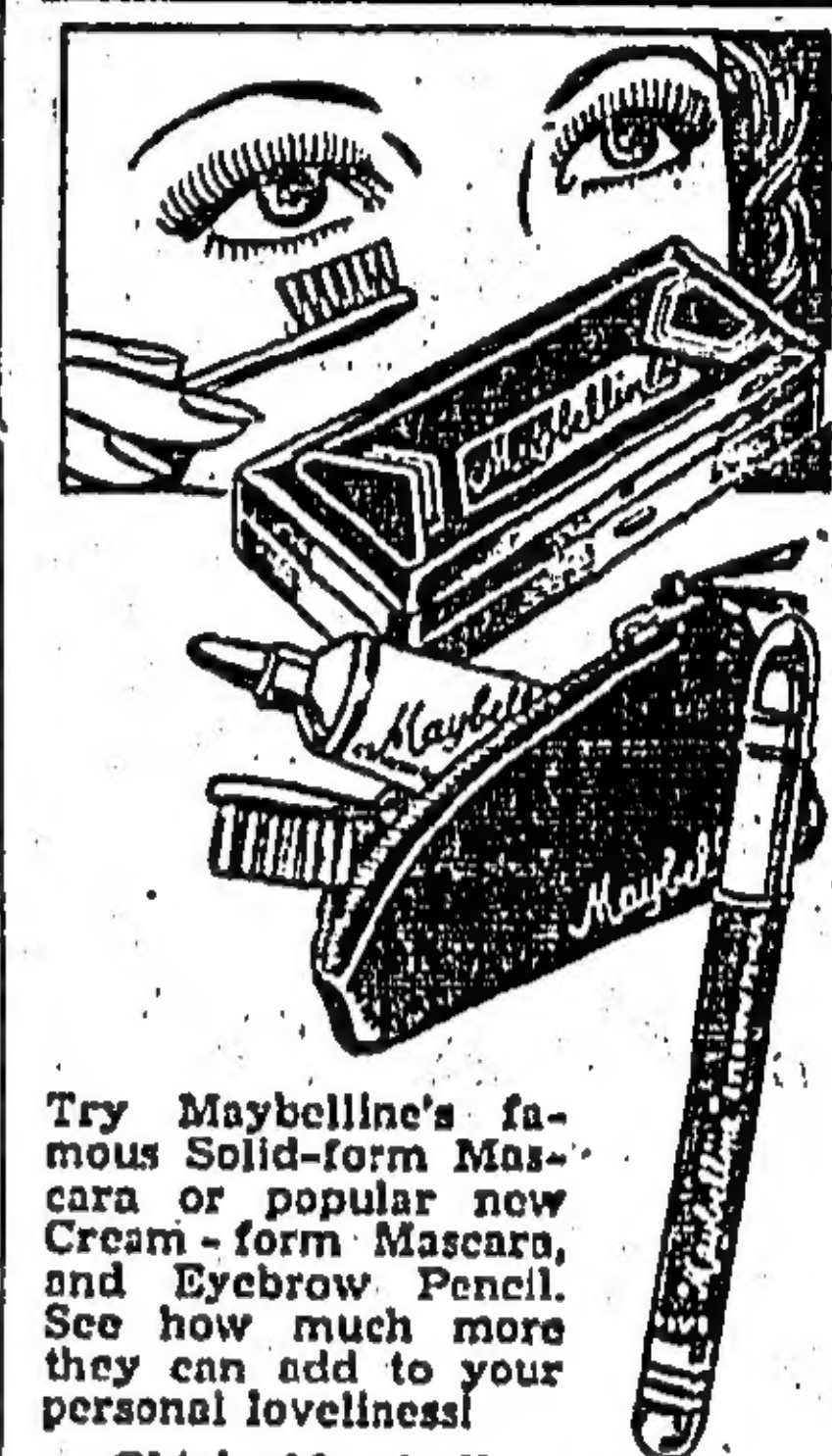
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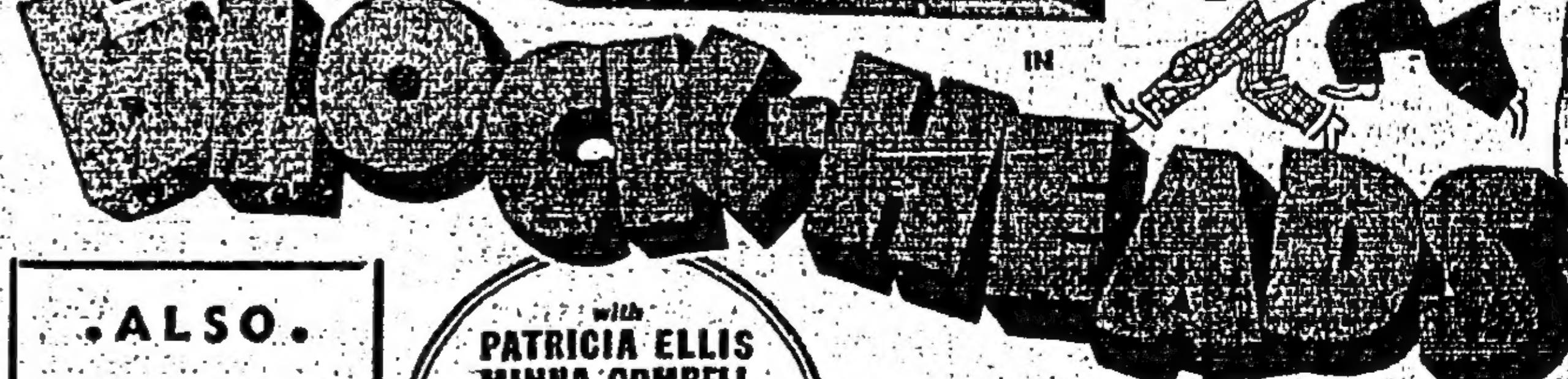
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**Fashion Critic Forecasts
Office Girls In Trousers**

WOMEN no longer dress to look pretty; they dress to look clever, says Dr. Willett Cunningham, who has made a scientific study of women's fashions over the past 200 years.

To 70 women at the Soroptimists' annual dinner he said: "Women's fashions excite our curiosity, but repel our closer investigation. . . . Instead of charming they alarm."

He says he deduces woman's outlook from her dress as the geologist deduces history from the fossil.

IT'S RIVALRY

"Woman dress to-day not to show how attractive she is but to express her competence," said he. "She is becoming more and more of a rival to man in business, and her dress alarms as it grows more eloquent of that rivalry."

"The old Victorian conception of a woman as something decorative, to sit about and do nothing but look lovely, has no bearing on the modern woman."

"She is evolving a new type of dress, a dress that is at once feminine and practical."

"I prophesy that in the next generation girls will go to the office in trousers. But they will be nothing like men's trousers. That is where they have made the mistake so far."

TO-MORROW THEY'LL SAY Remember, now, you are listening to a man who knows something of his subject.

At home Dr. Cunningham has a crowded museum—a hut in his gar-

den and a loft upstairs—containing 600 dresses dating back 200 years, 350 hats and bonnets, and hundreds of what he calls "accessories and gadgets."

"Examine any dress and you can read into it the mind of the

wearer," he said. "Look at this Victorian costume—very tight round the waist, hooks all down the back. That woman took no exercise, probably suffered from chest complaints."

"Consider this modern outfit. The wearer must take plenty of exercise to keep warm in such scanty stuff. The easy measurement shows how healthy she keeps, the bathing costume shows she is no prude."

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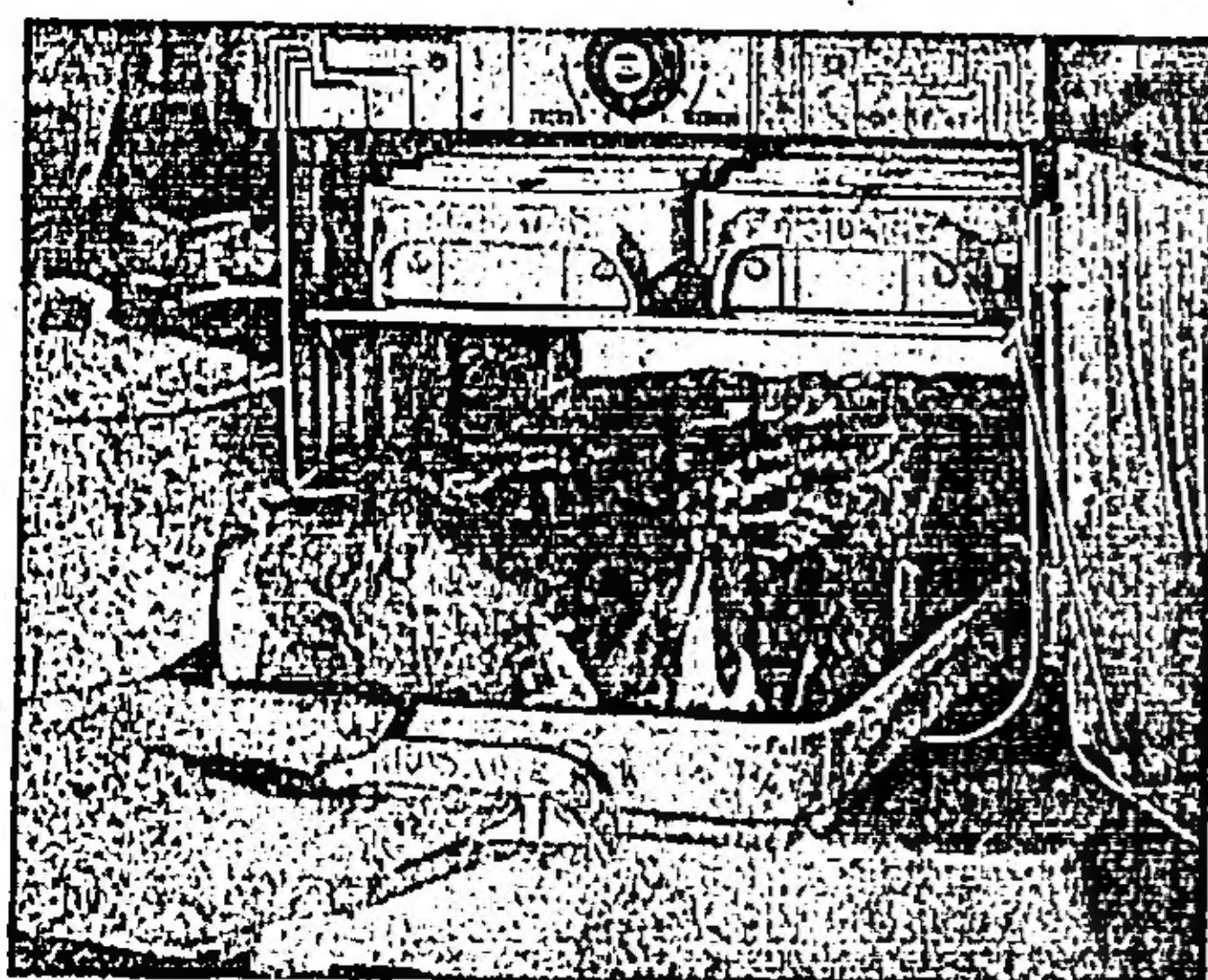
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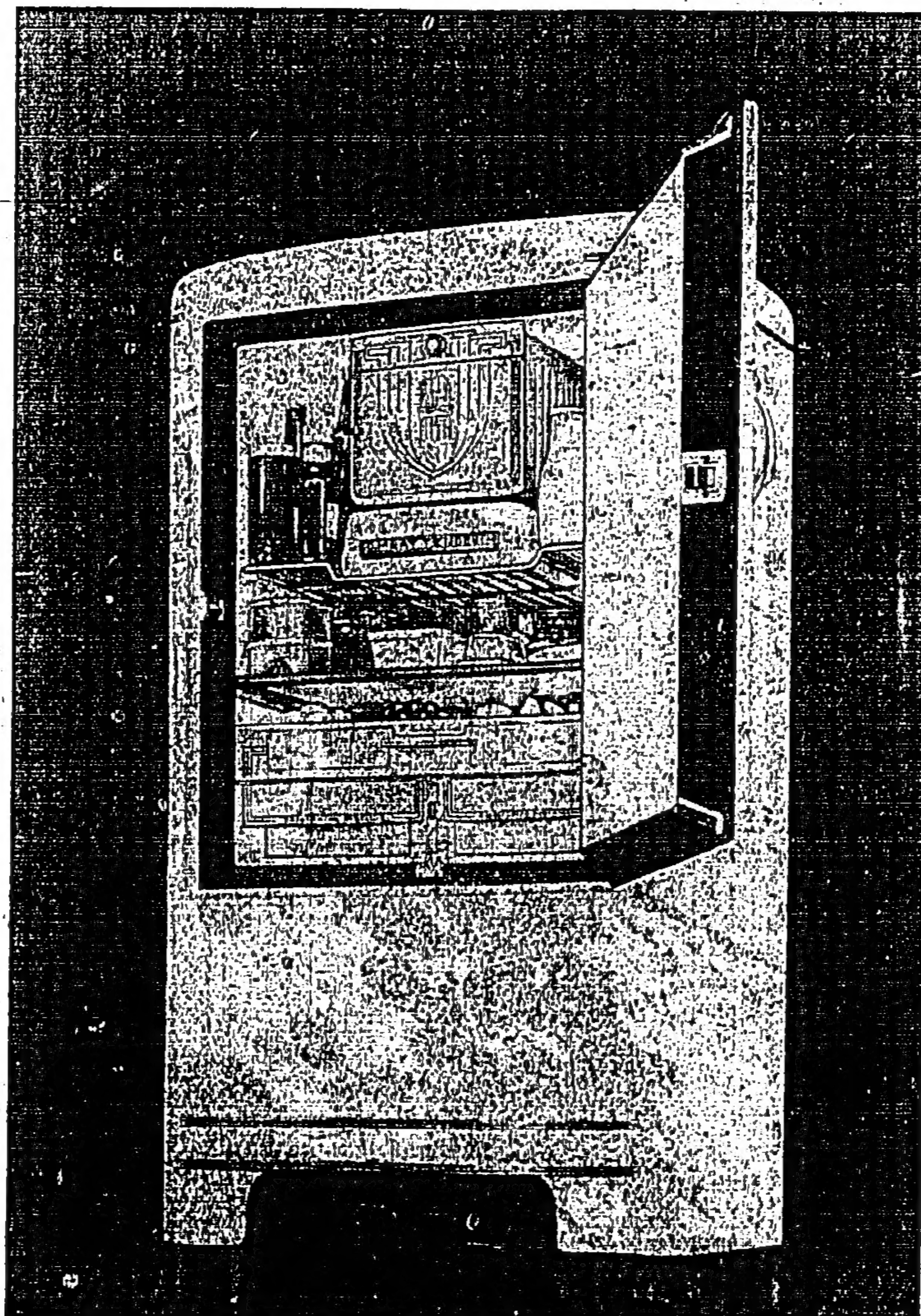
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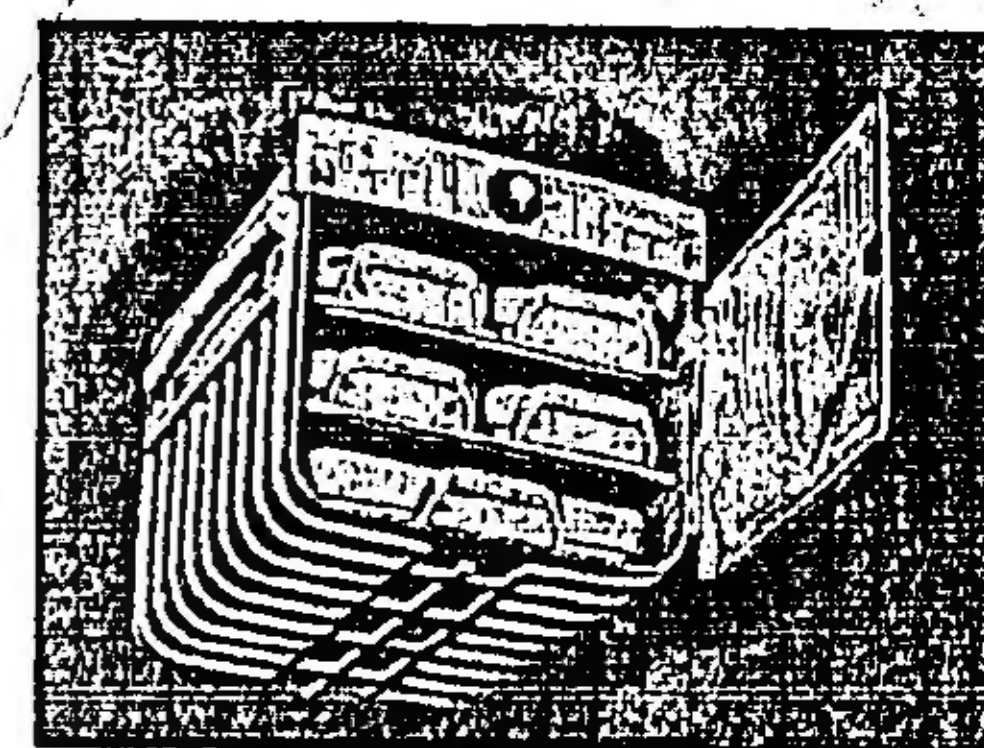
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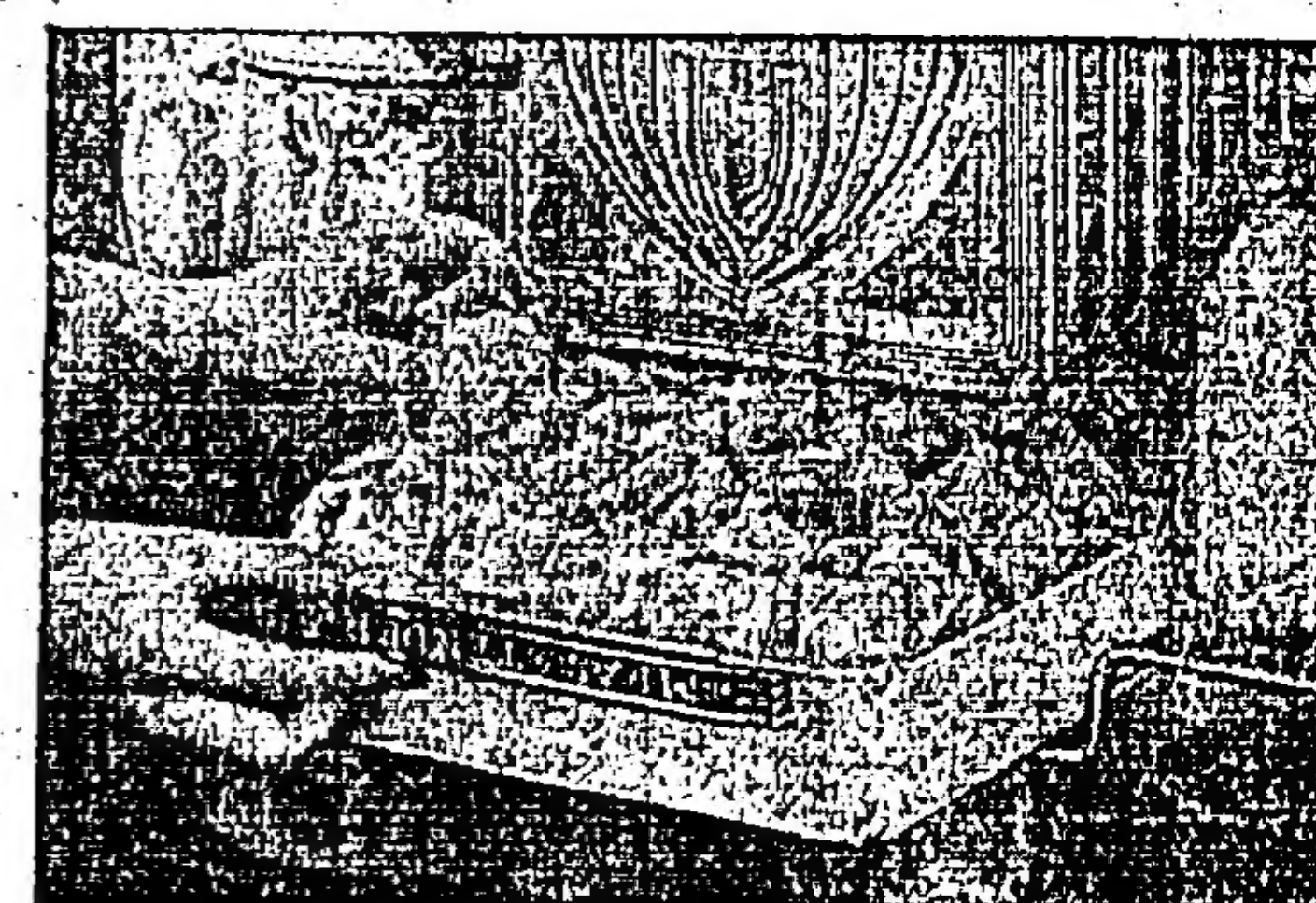
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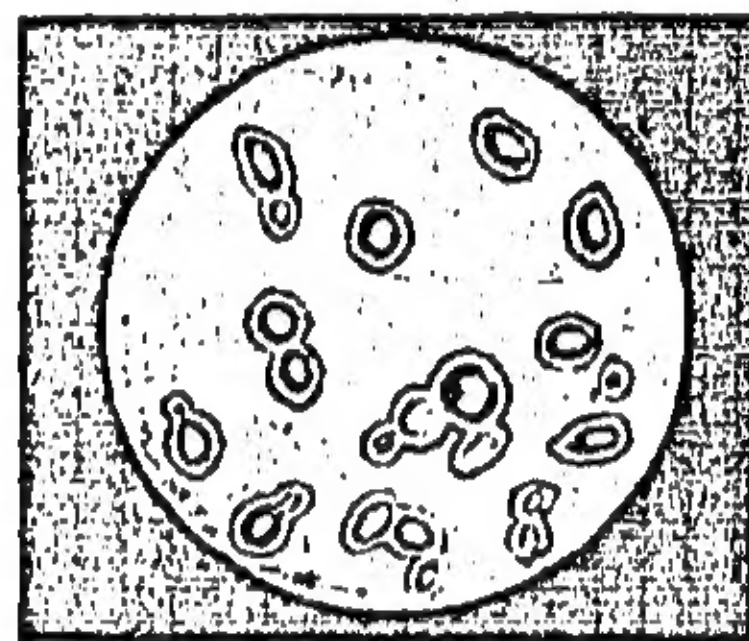
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Easter Message

Events are again hurrying forward in Europe.

Yesterday came the news of the Italian invasion of Albania, an attempt at territorial acquisition that is as impudent as that so successfully undertaken by Herr Hitler in Bohemia and Moravia.

How is this eternal aggression to be stopped?

It must eventually lead to war on a devastating scale in Europe.

Are dictators really maniacs, as psychologists firmly insist? All their actions seem to point to an element of truth in the accusation. To what other reason can be attributed this lust for power that has gripped them to such an extent that they become men without honour—men to whom treaties are as much scraps of paper as was a famous pact in 1914?

What an Easter message Mussolini has given to the world!

Real A.R.P.

Is Hongkong to be given full protection against air raids? At the moment the answer is "No."

The authorities are silent regarding the repeated calls for tunnels, which can provide the only true shelter in this Colony. They take too long to build: they are too expensive: the Government has a plan for mass evacuation of population.

The question of protection for the Hongkong citizen admits no delay. We are not a day nearer proper shelter from mass air raids than we were when bombers were first recognised as a menace to civilisation. Tunnels should be no more expensive to dig in Hongkong than roads and nullahs. Mass evacuation? Where to, in this Colony of a few hundred square

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Over three worlds rang out that cry of eternal victory wrested from the kingdom of darkness for us—and the devils covered in defeat; the unfallen intelligences sang for joy; and human beings, helpless and hopeless, found the gates of deliverance wide open.

"It is finished." What was finished? Seven things were finished. Let us enumerate them.

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FIRST, Christ's earthly life of perfect obedience was ended. All He had been given to do He had done. All His Father's commandments He had kept. Looking back over His life, He could have no regrets. Looking into His heart, He could be conscious of no stain. No man ever lived, before or since, whose life was one of perfect obedience.

And now that perfect life has reached its end—death by crucifixion at the age of thirty-three. Those hands, never outstretched save in blessing, cease to move. Those feet, never moving save in ministry of love, cease to act. That heart, never beating save in aching tenderness, ceases to throb. Those hands have been pierced by sin. Those feet have been pierced by hate. That heart has been broken by ingratitude. But no more pain, no more loneliness, no more sorrow now. The struggle is all over. The darkness is past. "It is finished"—His life of perfect obedience lived always in the shadow of the cross.

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SECONDLY, the old dispensation of types and shadows was terminated. No longer were the memorial sacrifices and rites which pointed forward to the Lamb of God efficacious. Type had met anti-type, for that Lamb had been slain. "When the loud cry, 'It is finished,' came from the lips of Christ, the priests were officiating in the temple. It was the hour of the evening sacrifice. The lamb representing Christ had been brought to be slain. Clothed in his significant and beautiful dress, the priest stood with lifted knife, as did Abraham when he was about to slay his son. With intense interest the people were looking on. But the earth trembles and quakes; for the Lord Himself draws near. With a rending noise the inner veil of the temple is torn from top to bottom by an unseen hand, throwing open to the gaze of the multitude a place once filled with the presence of God. . . . But lo, this veil is rent in twain. The most holy place of the earthly sanctuary is no longer sacred.

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FOURTHLY, the all-sufficient sacrifice was made, once for all. Let there be no doubt of that. As the Anglican Prayer Book puts it: "He made them [by His one oblation of Himself once offered] a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world." And that is scriptural.

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"ALL IS terror and confusion. The priest is about to slay the victim; but the knife drops about his nerveless hand, and the lamb escapes. Type has met anti-type in the death of God's Son. The great sacrifice has been made. The way into the holiest is laid open. A new and living way is presented for all. No longer need sinful, sorrowing humanity await the coming of the high priest. Henceforth the Saviour was to officiate as priest and advocate in the heaven of heavens. It was as if a living voice had spoken to the worshippers: 'There is now an end to all sacrifices and offerings for sin.' . . . 'By His own blood' He entereth in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us."

miles already surrounded by war?

By all means let us have temporary shelters and gas-proof rooms. Keep on the good work already undertaken. But the more urgent problem of real protection must be tackled as quickly as possible.

We may never need air raid shelters. We may be lucky.

If, which God forbid, we are involved in a Pacific war, we will pay the penalty of procrastination, and pay heavily.



THIRDLY, the power of the destroyer was crushed. "Of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage." For four thousand years that tyranny had held man in its thrall. Usurper Satan was, but none the less "prince of this world." But where the first Adam fell, the second Adam had prevailed. "Now is the crisis [according to the Greek] of this world, the Saviour had said of the conflict He faced: 'now shall the prince of this world be cast out.' In witness of that victory, 'the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after His resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.' Captives from the enemy's dark realm, released from his death dungeons, trophies of the triumph of immortality, He died in order 'that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.' These saints whom His death had liberated He presented to the Father as the on-typical wave sheaf, the first fruits and earnest of the resurrection of the just at His coming.

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SIXTHLY, the vindication of God's law and His mercy was complete. If that law could have been in any sense abrogated, Jesus need never have died. "Sin is the transgression of the law" and "the wages of sin is death." Therefore Christ, the sinless Christ, who was made sin for us, was under the condemnation of that law. That broken law demanded the death of Him who took our place. If that law had not been irrevocable, He need not have died. The fact that He had to die to satisfy its demands on our behalf forever vindicates His own word concerning it in Matthew. "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in nowise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled." Christ, therefore, certainly did not repeat the law He gave. The law done so would have immortalized transgression.

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BY HIS life He proved that the law could be obeyed, by grace. "I have kept," He said, "My Father's commandments." "If ye love Me, ye will keep My commandments." By His death He proved that the law could not be broken without death. God did not change His law, for it is righteousness, the revelation of His character; but in His unfathomable mercy for sinners, He sacrificed Himself in His own Son, our substitute. So love found a way to be just, and yet the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus. "For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: that the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. On Calvary the vindication of God's law and mercy was complete.

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AND lastly, the work of redemption was finished. "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me, and to finish His work," declared the Saviour. And in His Gethsemane prayer, He said, "I have finished the work which Thou gavest Me to do. Now 'It is finished.'"

—L. A. W.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Mr. Fitzbee has such a lovely temperature to-day, we're testing all the thermometers on him!"

The Average German Conversations With Philip Gibbs

Although written before the latest crisis, an article by Mr. Philip Gibbs in *Truth*, headed "Conversations With Berlin," is significant as showing the attitude of typical Germans towards the danger of another European war. Extracts from this article are reproduced below.

A WEEK or two ago I was talking to a German working-man in Berlin and after he had gone I made a note of what he had told me so that I might have his exact words. They are more important than other things I heard from people in high places because this man spoke his thoughts and anxieties of his own class, that of millions of German working-folk.

"We Germans," he said, "want peace above all things. We want tranquility, so that we can get on with our work without fear in our minds. We all want friendship with England and France. But this uncertainty is frightful. We have a black screen in front of us and can't see through it. I have two boys of 15 and 17. I don't want them to be killed. They know what war is all right, and don't like the idea of it. 'I've told them about it, I was badly wounded three times. Certainly Hitler has done great things for the German folk, but most of us are wondering whether all that is going to be spoilt by another war in which our sons would be sacrificed. We don't understand why England and Germany are at cross-purposes—especially after Munich, which we hoped would bring peace and goodwill.'"

STORM AFTER MUNICH

They thought the Munich agreement was the prelude to a new era of peace and friendship with England based on justice, and they were disconcerted and dismayed when a section of the English Press and political world broke out into a storm of rage against the British Prime Minister and shouted the words "Betrayal" and "Surrender." They were even more disconcerted when they heard of the terrific intensification of British rearmament immediately following the Munich agreement. It seemed to them inconsistent with Mr. Chamberlain's peace policy, and to hold some kind of challenge to the reason, they thought, why Hitler spoke harsh words in the first speeches he had made after the Munich meetings.

I found that this thought still rankles in German minds. Owing to the controlled news in their Press and the machine of propaganda the ordinary people in Germany, without other means of information, do not know or understand the sudden realisation that came to our own Government and people during the September crisis of our deplorable weakness and of the grim and urgent necessity for intensive rearmament after an experience when their own leader had not hesitated to risk a world war with that threat, harshly made, behind his demands. We could not submit again to that kind of diplomacy.

"DARK DESTINY" But they are uneasy in their minds, like that working-man whose words I have quoted. It was not a working man but one of high rank who expressed the sense of some evil spell which hangs over us all in this time.

"There is some dark destiny," he said, "which prevents friendship between Germany and England. It is not the fault of the peoples, who want peace with each other. It is a class of political forces without reason on either side. I am afraid of this race in armaments. If it goes on it will lead to an explosion. I am afraid of the conflict and challenge stirred up by the Press because of rival 'ideologies.' The Left Press in England insists that Germany is the enemy. They seem to want a war with us. Do they want it?"

Talking to people in Berlin, in high places and low, I became aware of certain ideas prevailing in the German mind. The September crisis has not altered in any way the desire to the whole people for friendship with us except by intensifying it. But they are deeply anxious over the possibility of a new crisis arising from political and economic causes. "We must export or die," said Hitler, but they are aware that their exports are declining heavily and that they are losing the power of purchasing many of the raw materials necessary for their industrial need and the machinery of their life.

TO THE SOUTH-EAST

For that reason they believe, rightly or wrongly, that they need colonies which they could administer with German currency, useless in other markets, but they know that this question is, for a time at least, outside practical possibilities because of the temper of these days. They look towards South-east Europe as their only means of economic expansion, not by conquest but by trade preferences, but they suspect that we wish to cut them off in that direction. "If your Government adopts a dog-in-the-manger policy," I was told by a German nearly a year ago, "and tries to draw a line against us in South-east Europe, it will be one of the roads to war."

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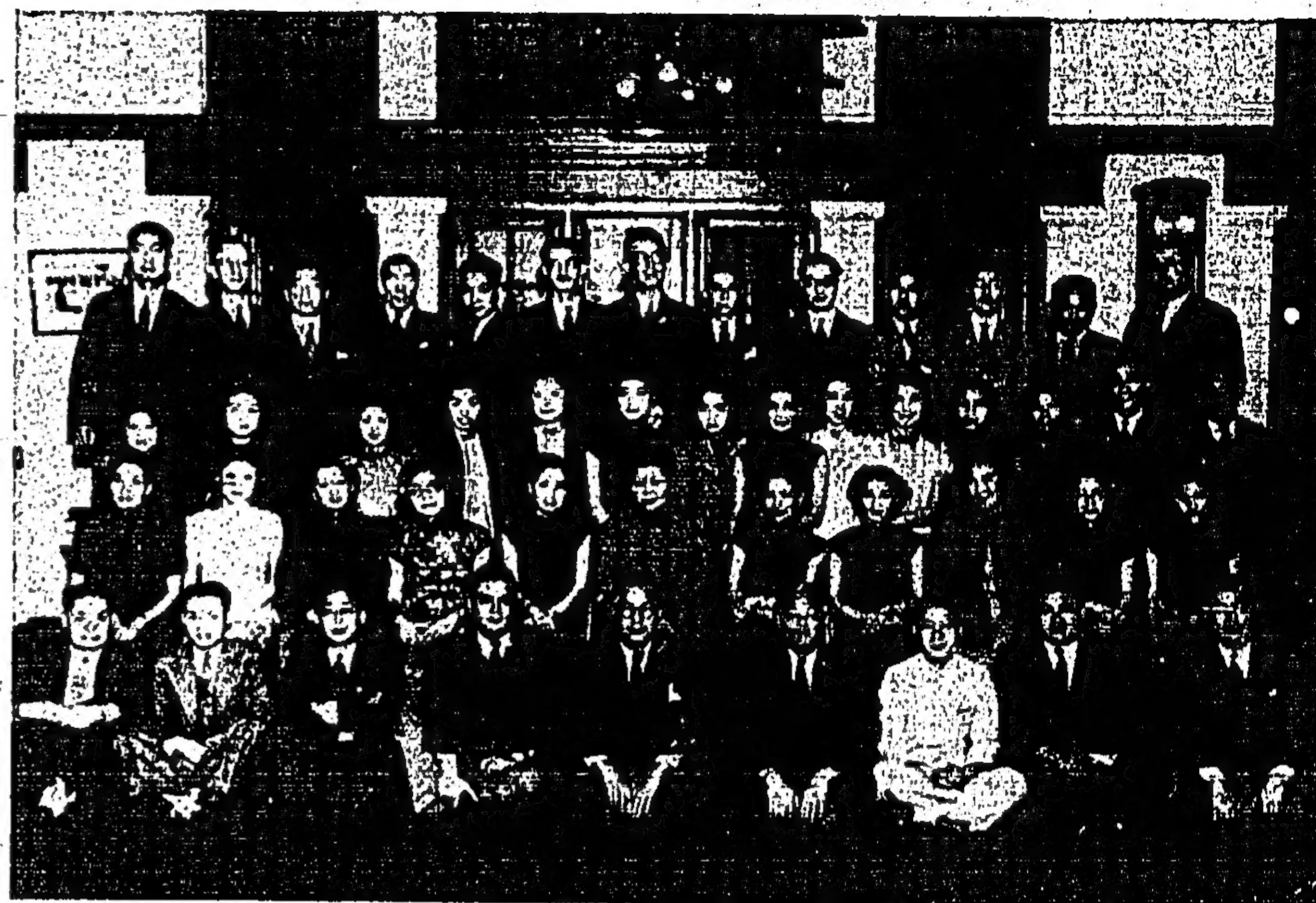
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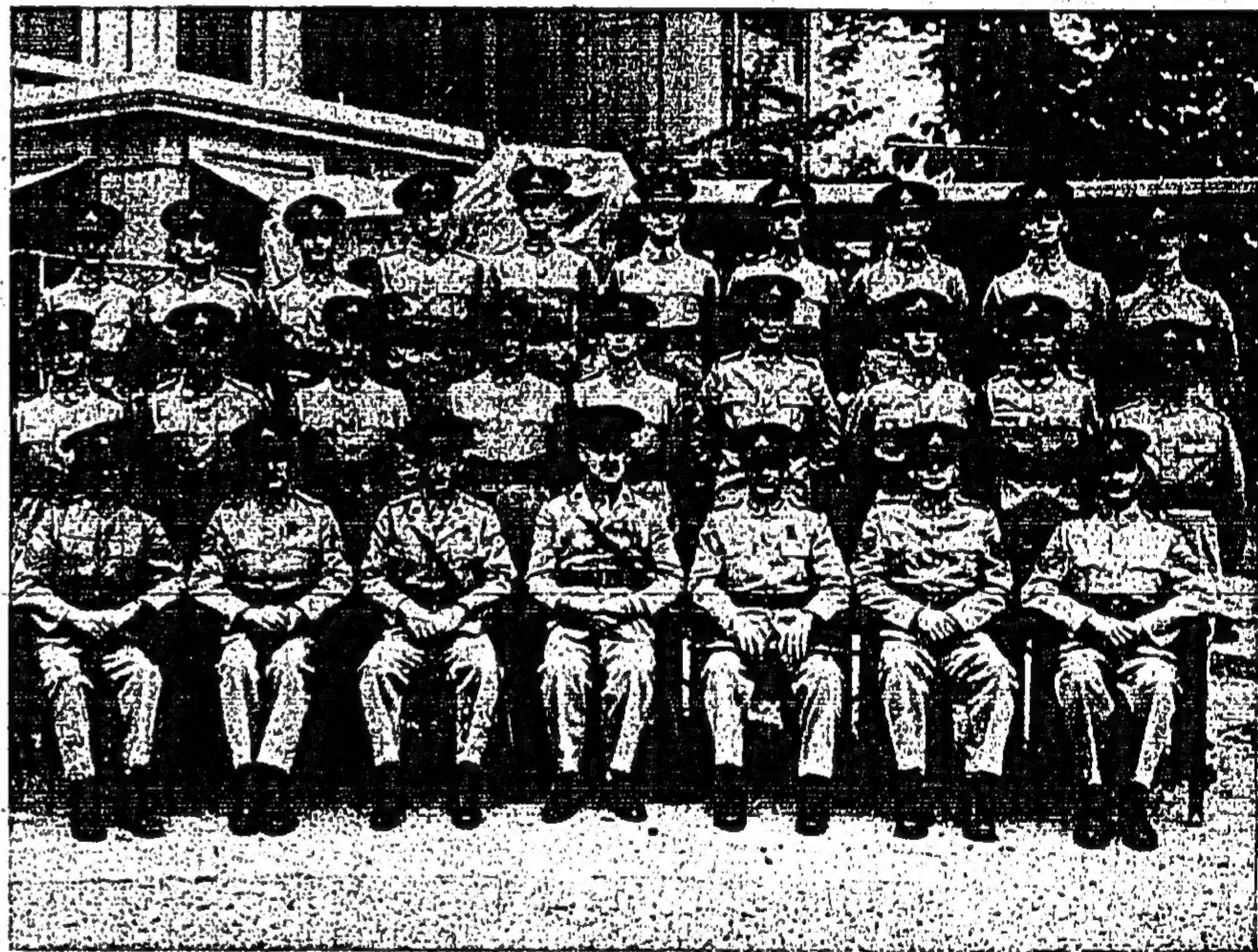
ARRIVING AT CHURCH. Miss Ethel Mudd, accompanied by Captain F. Sale and Miss A. A. Hirst, arriving at St. Andrew's Church for her marriage to Mr. W. H. G. Hirst.—*King's Studio.*



NEWLYWEDS. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. G. Hirst photographed leaving St. Andrew's Church after their recent marriage.—*King's Studio.*



Y'S MEN'S CLUB recently entertained the ladies of St. Paul's Girls' College at the Chinese Merchants Club. Seated in centre is Dr. Katie Woo, M.B.E., principal of St. Paul's Girls' College.—*Photonews.*



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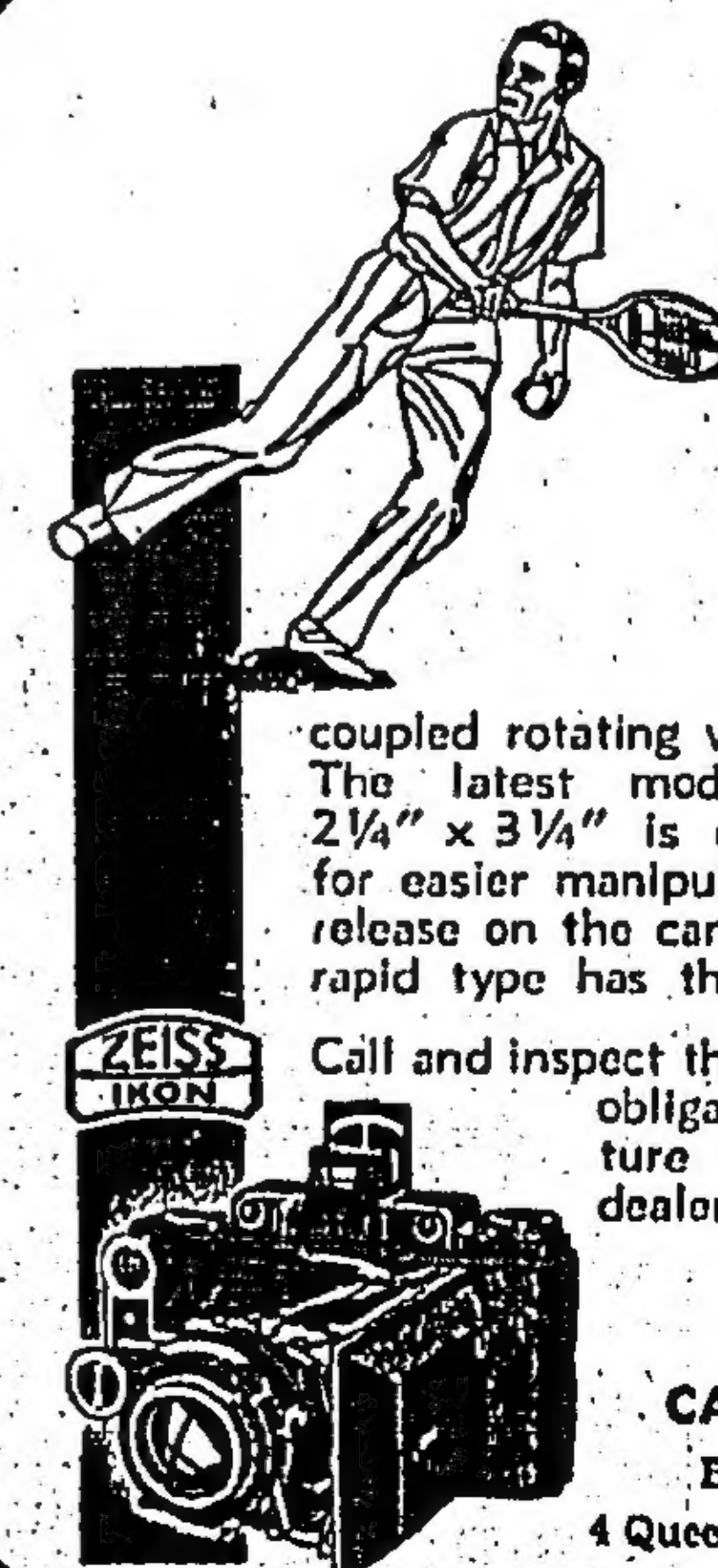


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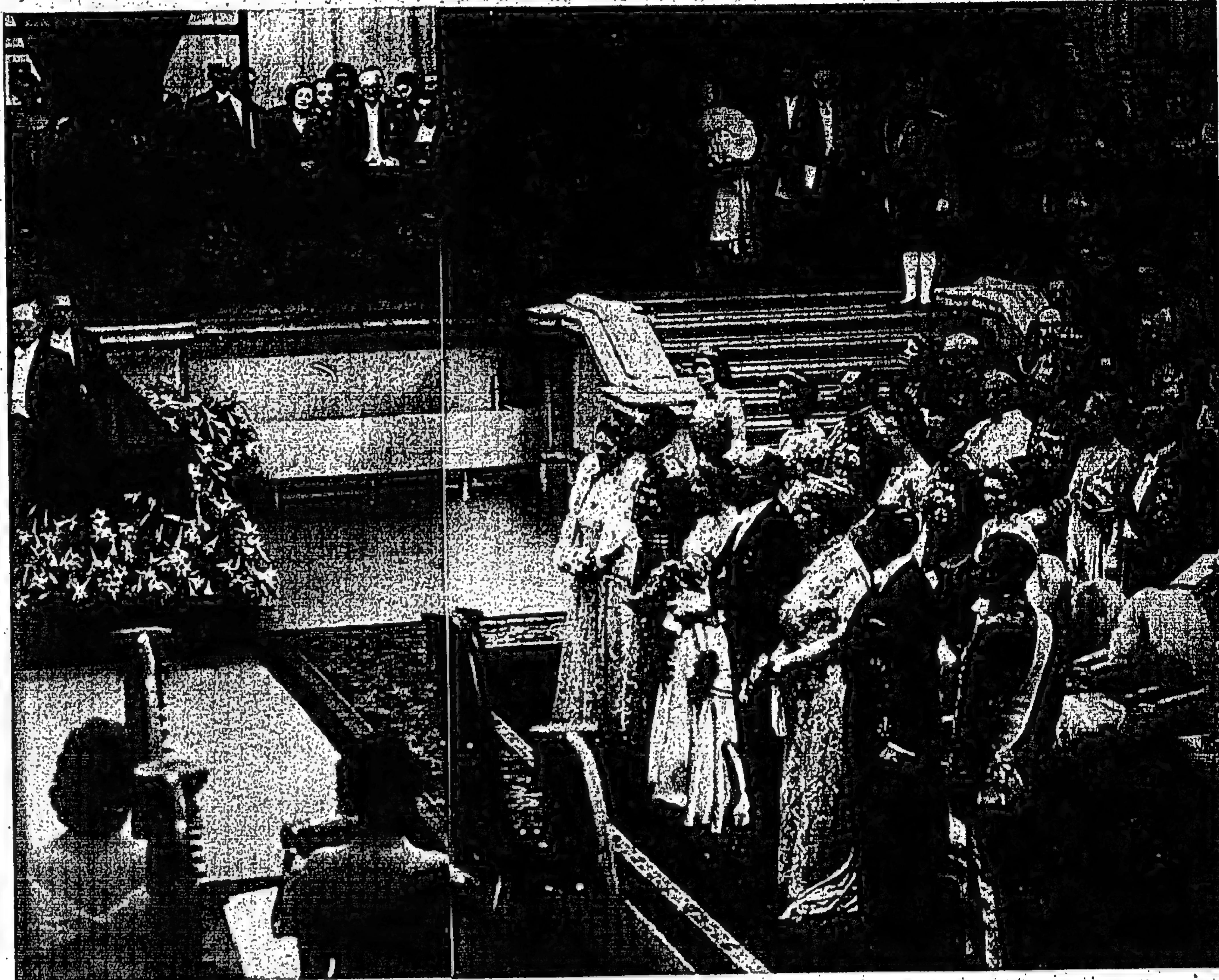
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THE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO LONDON



AT THE INSTITUTE FRANCAIS.—An English girl curtsies and presents Mme. Lebrun with a bouquet. The Institute was opened by M. Lebrun.—Times Photo., Copyright.



PRESIDENT and Mme. Lebrun and the King and Queen, with members of the Royal Party at the entertainment in the courtyard of the India Office. In the front row, left to right, are Mme. Lebrun, the King and Queen, M. Lebrun, Queen Mary, M. Bonnet and Lord Zetland.—Times Photograph, Copyright.



PRESIDENT LEBRUN kisses the hand of Her Majesty the Queen when saying good-bye as he and Mme. Lebrun left Victoria Station on their return to France.—Graphic Photograph, Copyright.



THE SCENE in the Guildhall as the Recorder read the City's Address of Welcome to President and Mme. Lebrun, who are seen seated on either side of the Lord Mayor. Among those on the right are the Duke and Duchess of Kent, Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain, and the Archbishop of Canterbury.—Evening Standard Photograph, Copyright.



THE FRENCH PRESIDENT arriving at Victoria Station. The King chatting with M. Lebrun after he had alighted from his train. In centre, the Queen is chatting with Mme. Lebrun.—Graphic Photo., Copyright.



A SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPH of the French President and Mme. Lebrun with their children and some of their grand-children at the Elysee Palace, Paris.—The Times Photo., Copyright.



THEIR MAJESTIES the King and Queen with President and Madame Lebrun, admiring the view from the East Terrace of Windsor Castle after luncheon there.—Graphic Union Photo, Copyright.

THE ROYAL VISIT

THESE exclusive photographs, rushed to Hongkong by air mail, show incidents in the visit to London last month of the President of France, M. Lebrun, and his wife.

M. Lebrun was accorded a vociferous welcome by vast London crowds.

During the four day visit to the Empire's capital he was the guest of Their Majesties the King and Queen.

The visit was the first made by a President of the French Republic in many years, and did much to cement the century-old friendship of the two great democracies on either side of the English Channel.

MOVIEDOM GOSSIP

Lucky Escape

DOLORES DEL RIO has the distinction of having her portrait painted by Diego Rivera, the great Mexican painter, famous for his murals.

Dolores, tells how Rivera begged her to stay in Mexico one more day so that he could make a few last changes in the portrait, but she was determined to take the train on which she had booked reservations. If she had yielded to the artist's pleadings, she would have been on a train which was wrecked with great loss of life.

Romance Resumed

EVERYONE was surprised when Tyrone Power made the rounds of the night clubs with Sonja Henie recently. These two had been seen together constantly for a while, until Tyrone transferred his attentions to Janet Gaynor.

Janet, meanwhile, is redantly happy. Her marriage to Adrian, fashion expert at M.G.M., took place recently.

Hedy's New Venture

HEDY LAMARR will make her next screen appearance opposite Spencer Tracy in "New York Cinderella." M.G.M. was anxious to cast her with Clark Gable in "New Orleans," but that will have to wait until Gable finishes his many other

assignments. Fannie Brice will have a comedy role in the new film.

Death Of Conway Tearle

THE most important people in movies turned out for the funeral of Conway Tearle, matinee idol of pre-war years. Yet these many years he was unable to get satisfactory film work.

His last real success was on the Broadway stage in "Dinner at Eight," when he played the suave actor who committed suicide.

He got his first important lead in Sydney in 1901, when he appeared in "Ben Hur."

He has played opposite such actresses as Ethel Barrymore, Grace George and Tallulah Bankhead.

Adelle Rowland, his wife, was at his side when he died. He had two former wives. He was sixty years old.

Can't Spank Shirley

IN deference to the wishes of her fans, Shirley Temple will receive no spankings in her future pictures. According to character-actress Mary Nash, who played the hard-hearted governess in "Heidi," hundreds of fans have written to her and to the studio protesting against the scene in which Miss Nash slapped Shirley. Because of these letters a scene in the new film, "Little Princess," in which Miss Nash was to administer a spanking to Shirley, was cut out of the script.

27 Years Ago This Month The Titanic Disaster Occurred

Twenty-seven years ago next week, April 14, 1912, the S.S. Titanic was plowing through the North Atlantic 800 miles off Cape Race, Newfoundland. A light shock was felt by many of the 2,224 passengers and crew aboard. The largest ship in the world had struck an iceberg.

At 2:20 A.M. on the morning of the 15th, just 2 hours and 40 minutes after the crash, the pride of the White Star Line plunged into a long, slanting dive, never to be seen again. The greatest sea disaster had occurred, taking a toll of 1,513 lives.

The "Unsinkable Titanic" had sailed from Southampton, England, on April 10, on her maiden voyage to New York. A sister ship of the S.S. Olympic, the Titanic was the last word in ships. The super liner was 882 feet long, of 66,000 tons displacement and was capable of carrying 2,500 passengers and a crew of 860.

New Type Construction

The mighty floating mansion had required three years to build. Designed by the late Lord Pirie, the Titanic was supposed to be the world's first truly unsinkable ship. She was divided into 15 heavy steel, watertight compartments from the bottom to the top of the hull. Doors to these bulkheads could be closed automatically or by hand.

If any part of the vessel should be damaged, and that section flooded, the compartments could be closed and the remaining water-tight compartments theoretically would keep the ship afloat. But this theory was exploded when the Titanic's starboard side was sheared by the submerged arm of a giant berg. Nine of the 16 compartments were flooded and the remaining 6 were insufficient to keep the vessel afloat.

"Have struck iceberg—badly damaged—rush help," the Titanic's radio flashed at 11:40 one night, just 25 years ago.

J. G. Phillips, wireless operator was at the key. He sent out the "CQD" distress call. He informed the Atlantic seaboard and ships in the area that the Titanic was listing as water poured into a 300-foot gash in the liner's side.

Ships Heard Call

The Cape Race wireless station heard the distress call, as did the S.S. La Provence, the S.S. Mount Temple and the S.S. Carpathia.

The first vessel to answer was the Carpathia, 58 miles away, eastward bound on a world cruise. She turned about and steamed at full speed for the Titanic. But at 2:20 a.m., the Titanic foundered, and the Carpathia did not reach the scene of the wreck until 5:30 a.m. The Titanic carried 20 lifeboats and a few rafts. Two of the lifeboats were wrecked in launching. Thus, when the Carpathia reached the scene, only 705 survivors were found of which 210 were members of the crew. Several died later of exposure.

It was this pitiful group that the Carpathia took aboard. The survivors had suffered from exposure in the open boats. They were hysterical, grief stricken and suffering from shock. Families had been separated by the rule of the sea, "women and children first." Fathers and husbands stood aside on the water-washed Titanic decks while they saw their children and wives lowered in lifeboats. John Jacob Astor was one of these men. Other famous men who went down with the Titanic were Isidor Straus, Benjamin Guggenheim, George D. Widener and Major Archibald Butt, military aide to President Taft.

News of Disaster Late

While this great tragedy was occurring the world had only fragmentary news. On April 15 newspapers had few vital facts concerning the disaster. It was not until April 16, more than 24 hours after the Titanic sank that the first detailed news was available. At that time the passenger list was printed, but no accurate information could be obtained as to the identity of most of the survivors. It has been said that the White Star Line offices did not have official information of the disaster until after 6 p.m. April 15, more than 12 hours after the Carpathia had taken the survivors aboard.

The rescue ship arrived at New York on the night of April 18. It was not until the ship docked and the Carpathia passengers and survivors of the Titanic came ashore that the full story of the disaster was told. There was the story of Mr. and Mrs. Isidor Straus. The code of the sea, "women and children first," would have separated them, but having lived their lives together, they chose to die together. Mrs. Straus refused to enter a lifeboat.

Told of Astor's Heroism

There was the picture of Colonel Astor, helping his wife into a lifeboat.

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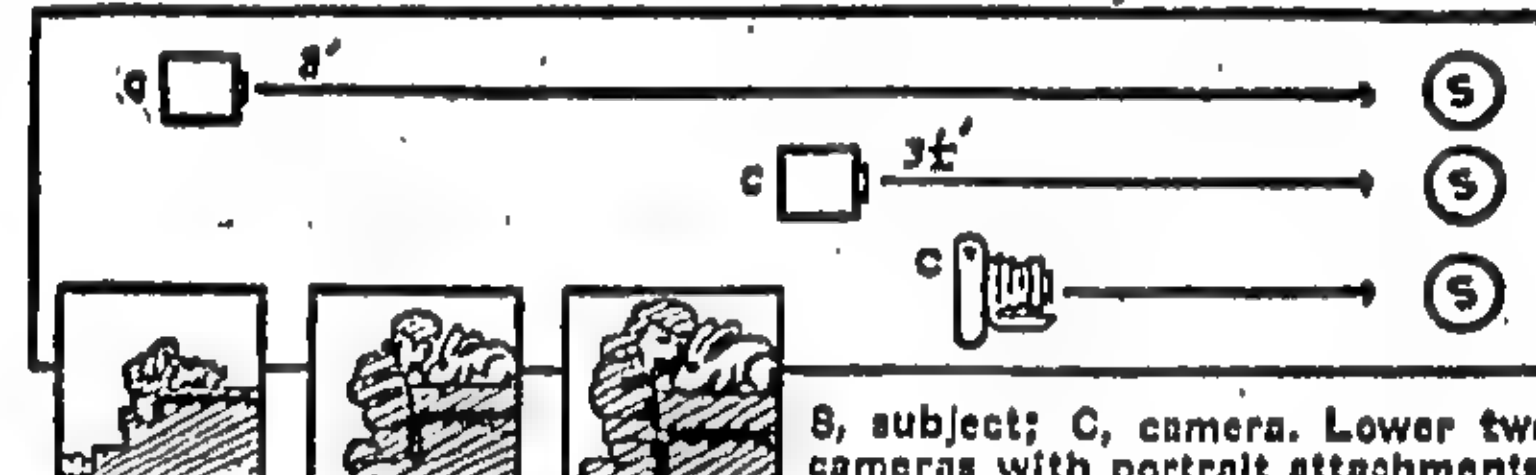
April 9 is Easter, and the question now is—have you your camera polished up and loaded, ready to memorialize that eventful day in pictures that you will treasure in later years?

There are dozens of pictures that can be made on occasions like this, and each one has memory value. You probably need new snapshots of members of the family—and will they pose enthusiastically when they

have new Spring outfits to display! The children's Easter fun should be fittingly recorded—in intimate close-ups (a portrait attachment helps there) showing them with Easter baskets and the brown or fluffy white Easter bunnies they receive.

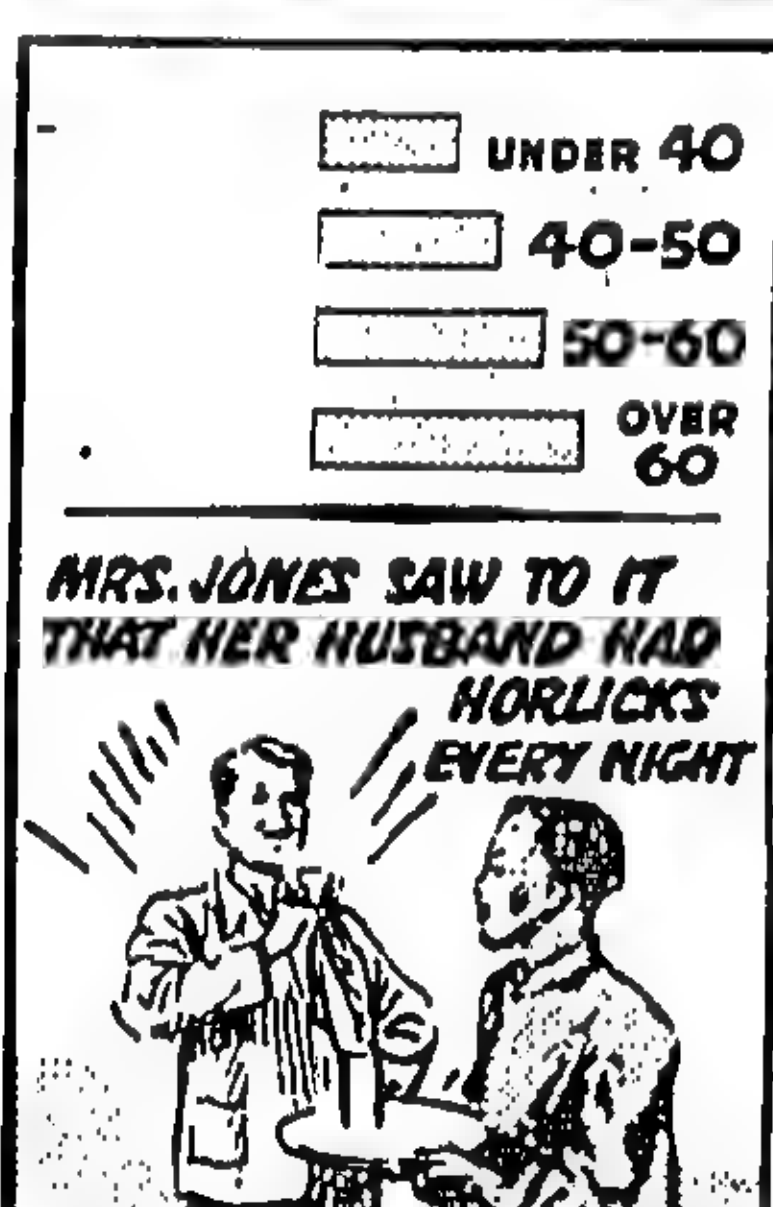
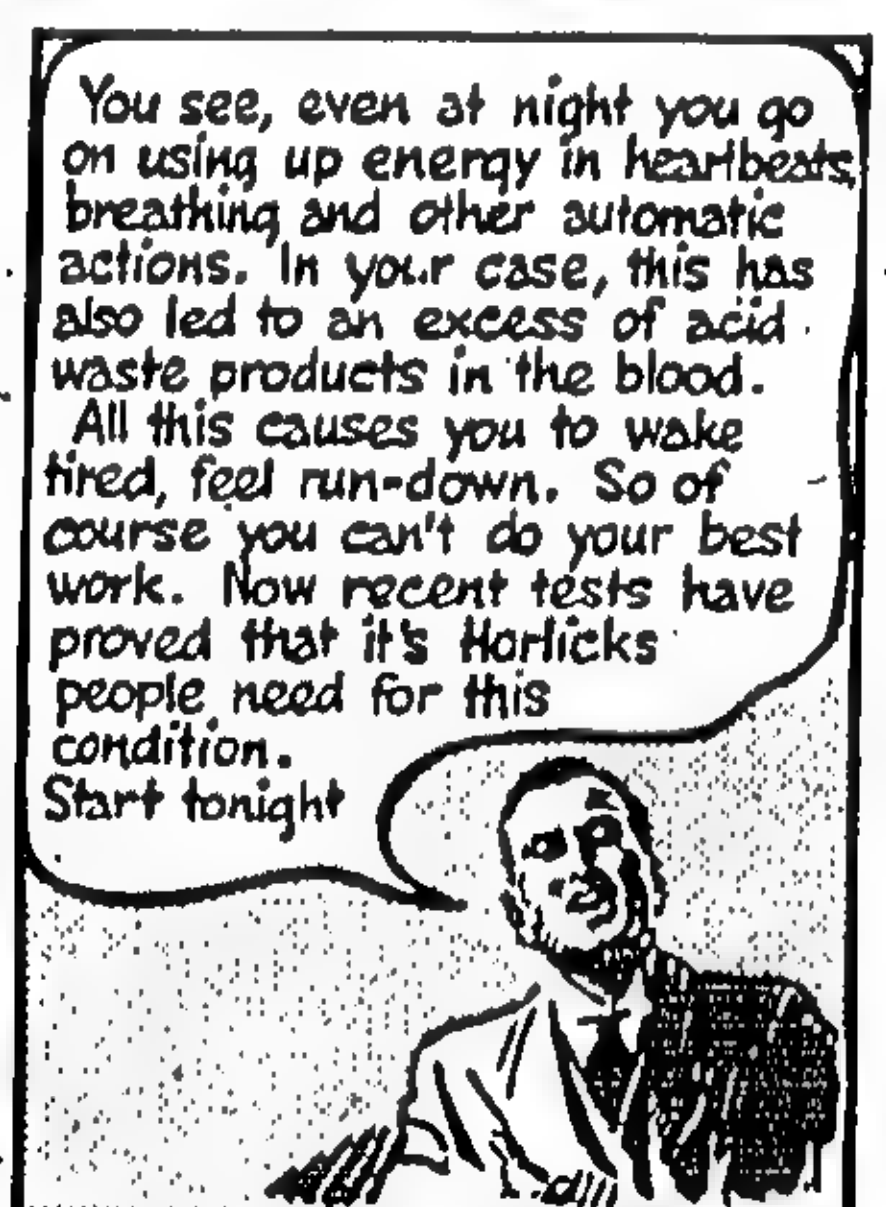
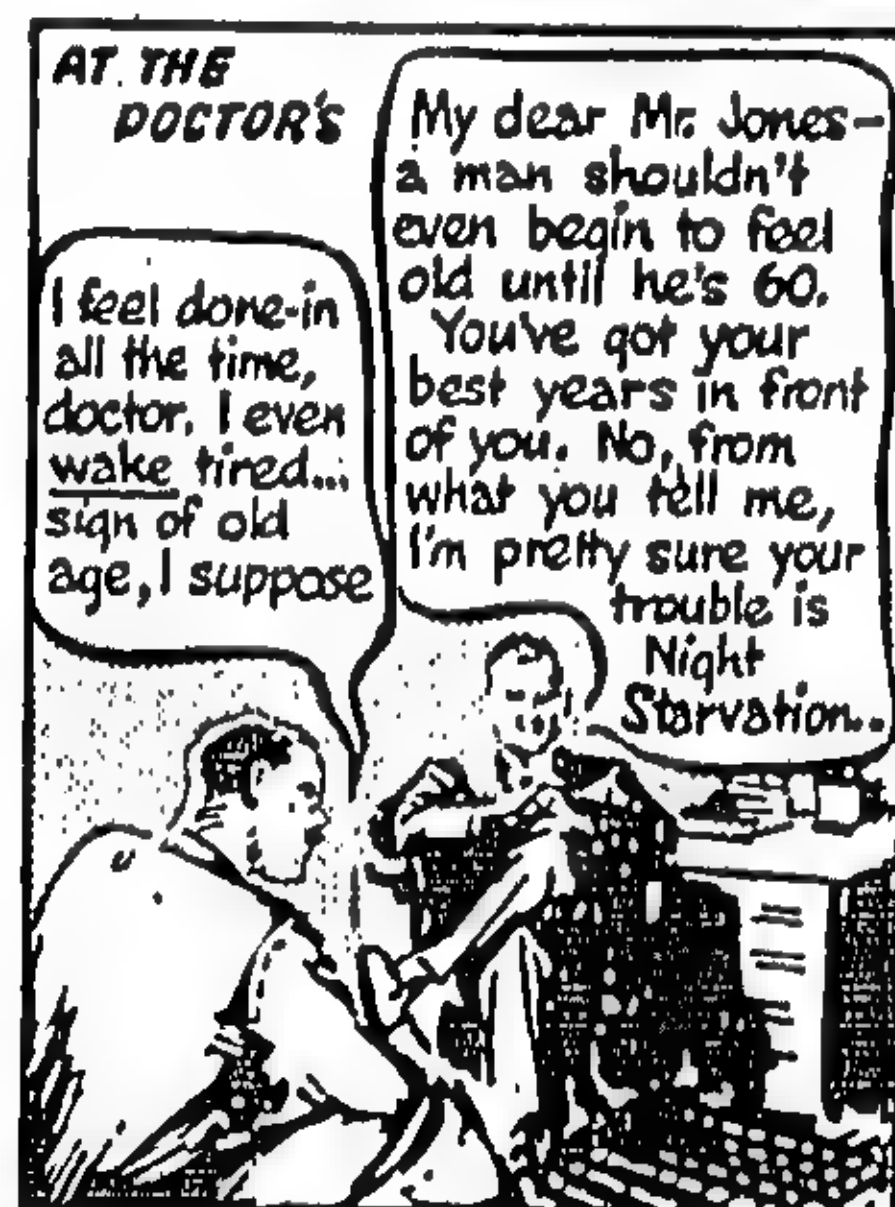
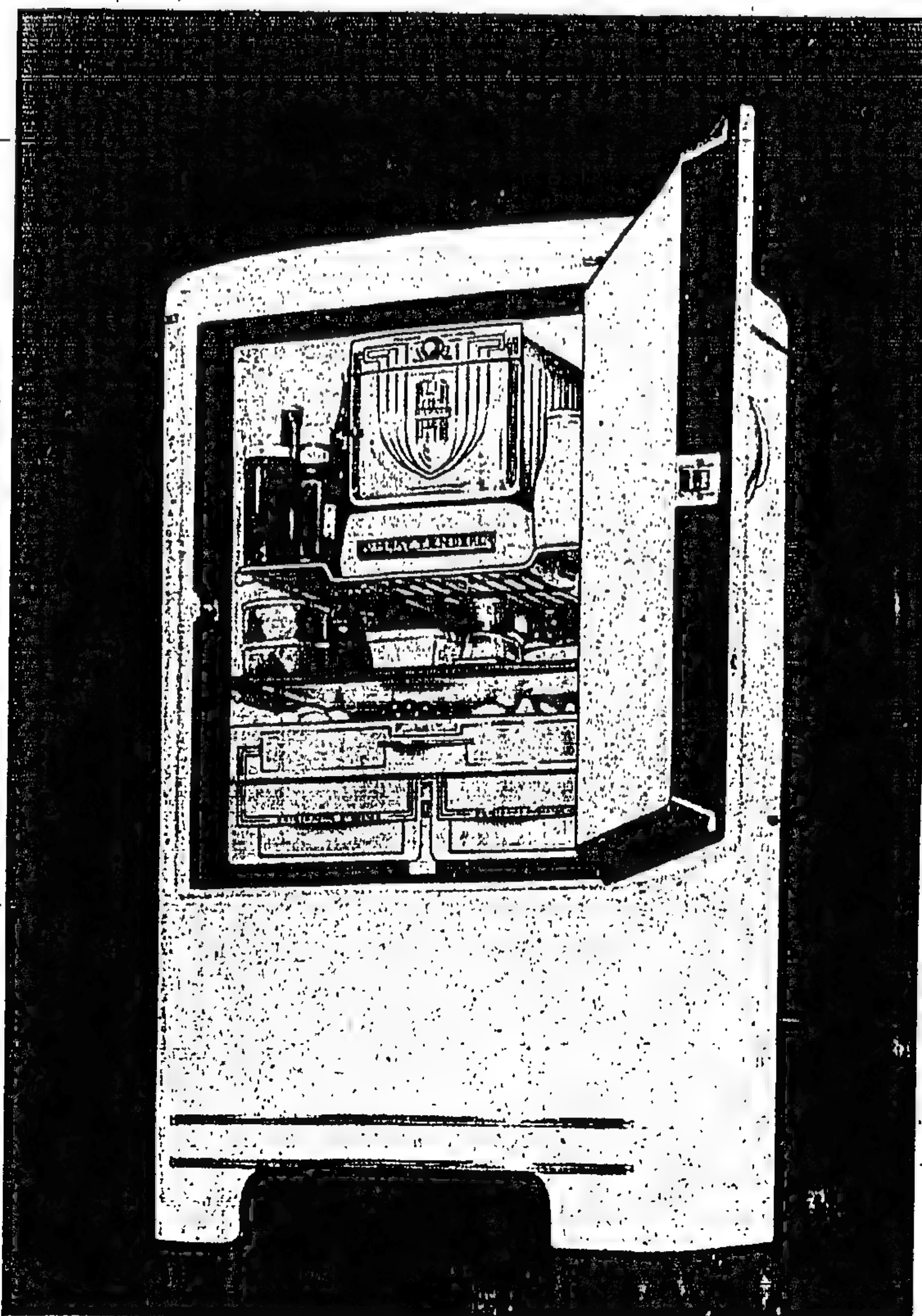
Make sure that you get an "off to church" picture, a snap of Mother picking or arranging the first bouquet of Easter flowers. Let your camera write the day's history. Don't include too much in each picture—keep your camera close, and get the little, interesting details that make a picture live! And when you put the pictures in your album, date each one. A memo of day and year gives added value to the family's picture-history book.

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The Right Age to Marry



By Mary Ferguson

MR. A. M. Fleet, chairman of the Dartford magistrates, is a bachelor and elderly, but for all that he thinks he knows the right age at which couples should marry. Recently he refused a nineteen-year-old couple permission to marry when they stood before him saying how much they loved each other. "It is not wise to marry when very young," he told them. Well, maybe bachelor Mr. Fleet knows what he is talking about. All I can say is that I have been married twice. Once when I was nineteen and again when I was over thirty, and I know what I know about that. When I was nineteen my mother refused to give her consent to the wedding. "It's ridiculous," she said, looking as though she would like to spank me, "you don't know your own mind." My father said: "It's no use coming to me, you heard what your mother said."

Of course I did know my own mind. I wanted to get married to a man much older than myself, and six months later I married him in the vestry of a Presbyterian Church with my father to give me away, while my mother remained at home to have a good cry. Six months later I knew my mother had been right, after all I did not know my own mind. I had made a mess of my own life, or so it seemed then, and made a nice man very unhappy. We were totally unsuited. I was suffering from the adolescent's complaint. I was in love with love. More than ten years later I married again. This time a man my own age who had been my best friend for years. The marriage is a success. We are both happy and I am in danger of developing into one of those tiresome women who pity every woman who hasn't married.

For all that I wouldn't be like Mr. Fleet, and lay down the law about the right age to marry. Parents shouldn't lay down the law either for they don't know any more than Mr. Fleet knows, or I know, or you know. What is puzzling the nineteen-year-olds to-day who are being refused permission to marry, is the fact that their own parents who are saying "NO," were themselves married when they were nineteen. Maybe they have heard them boast of their early days, when Dad was earning thirty shillings a week and Mum made the money work wonders. Why can't they be married at nineteen and work the same miracles? The reason is that life nowadays is too different, and Mum and Dad would only get cross if they were asked to explain why.

Maybe life wasn't so rosy for Mum and Dad all those years ago when Mum sat up half the night sewing baby clothes and Dad made an ounce of tobacco last a week and the only fun they had was a threepenny concert or a game of whist with the people next door. Maybe Mum and Dad want their girl to have an easier time than they ever had. A faded mother of six once proudly told me, "Strangers always take Jessie to be my sister. They say we don't look a bit like mother and daughter." Jessie, first child of an early marriage, was twenty years younger than her mother. But let Jessie attempt to marry so early and she would be faced with her mother's bitter opposition. I shall be disliked for saying this, but I think it is true that mothers who married early hate to think their daughters will do the same. They know the fun they've missed. The hard times they've had; they regret never having tried making friends with other young men and learning more about the world. They make difficult parents, too, and some of them know it. They think of the sacrifices they made for their children when they themselves were in their early twenties. Without realising what they are doing, they are trying to recapture some of their own lost youth by sharing in the youth of their children. You must have heard youngish parents saying proudly to their friends, "We are glad we had the children while we were both young, for now they are growing up we are young enough ourselves to share their fun."

Are You Sure?

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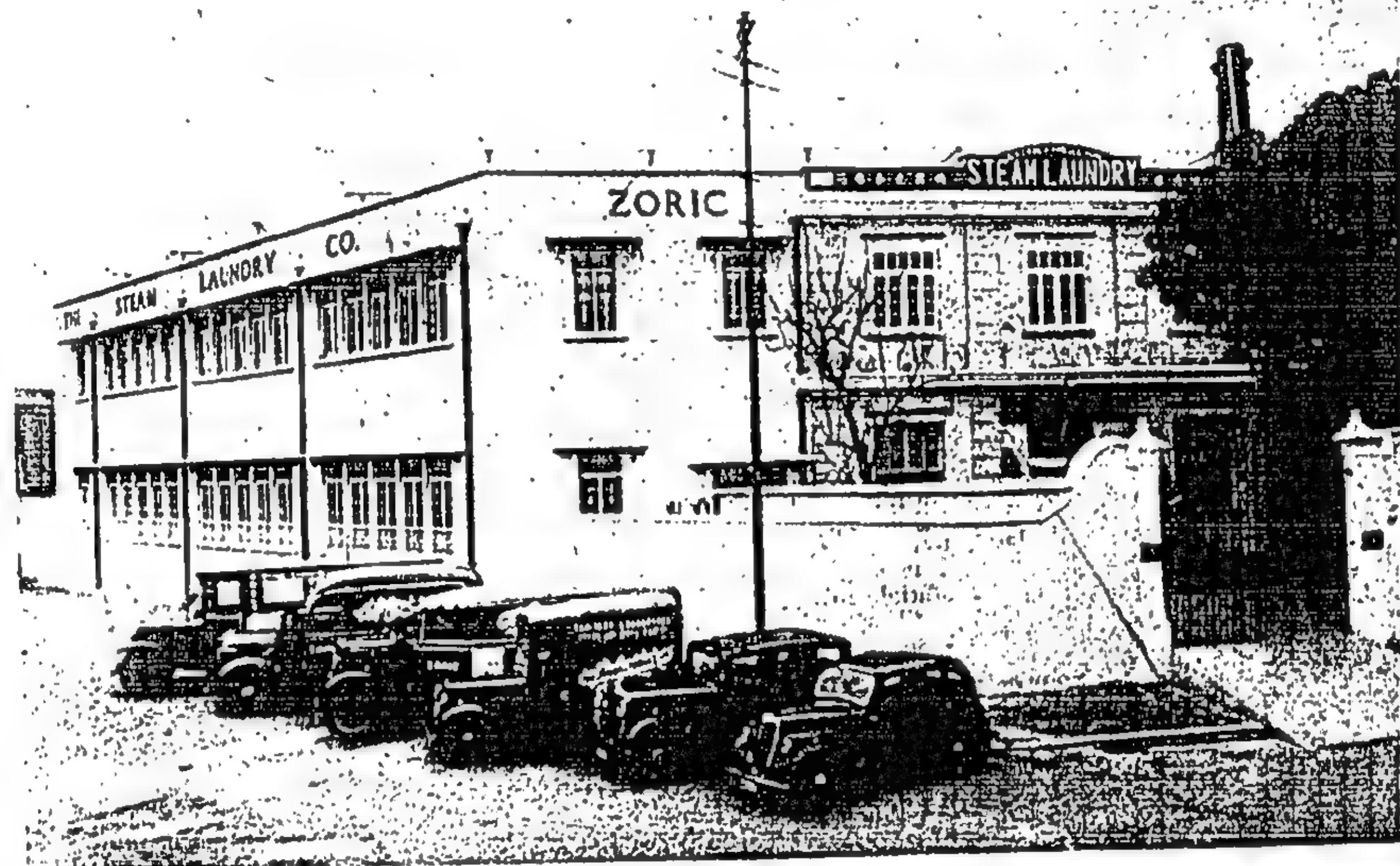


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David Asche: Thank you very much for your letter. I think your idea for a competition is splendid and the samples turned out beautifully. Some day soon we shall try that type of competition. This week, kiddies, we are having a colouring competition. You will see that the above picture is of panes. Now I know you can make excellent panes or engravings of the picture as panes have many varied colours. Please remember that you do not get red, blue or green panes.
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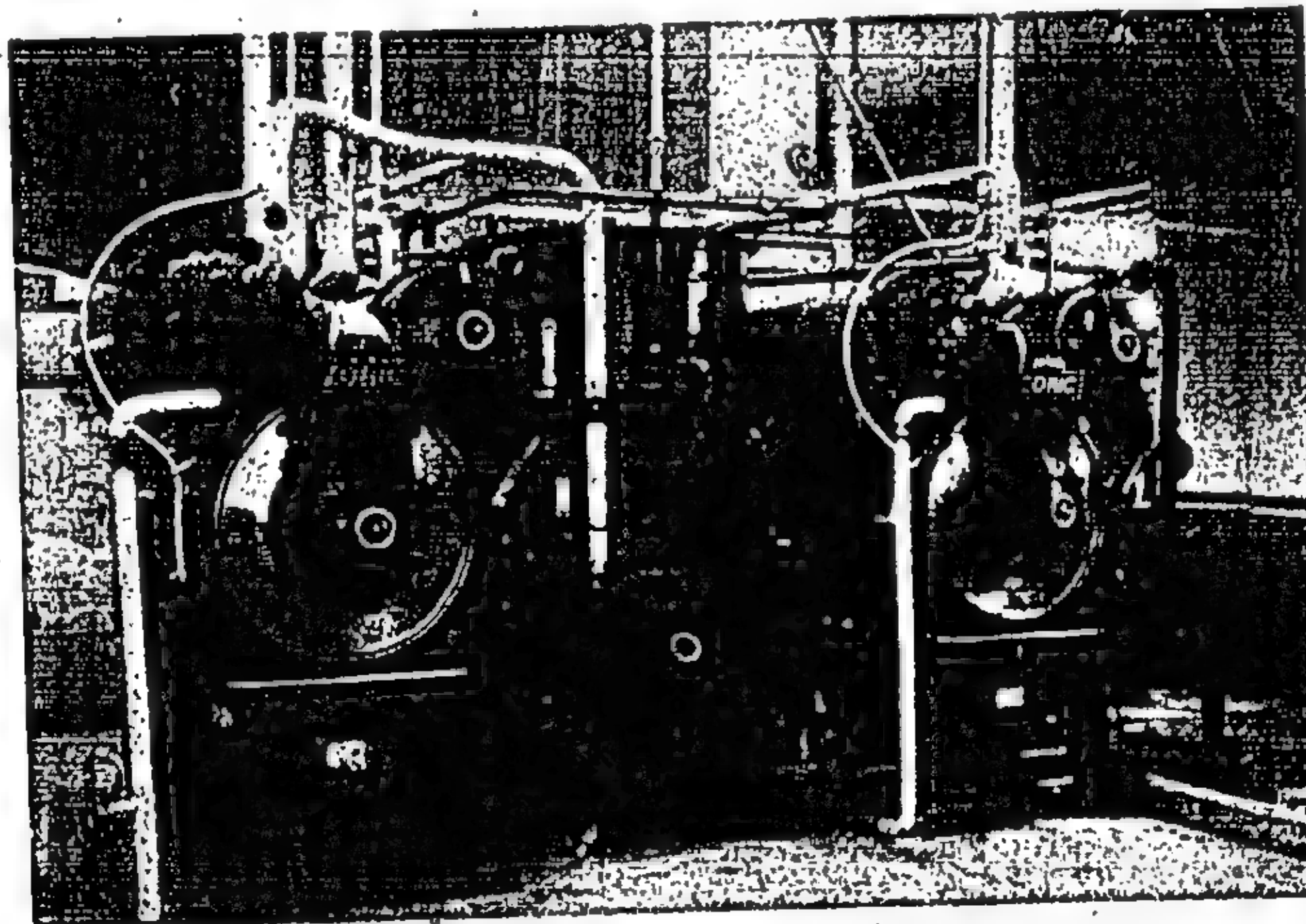
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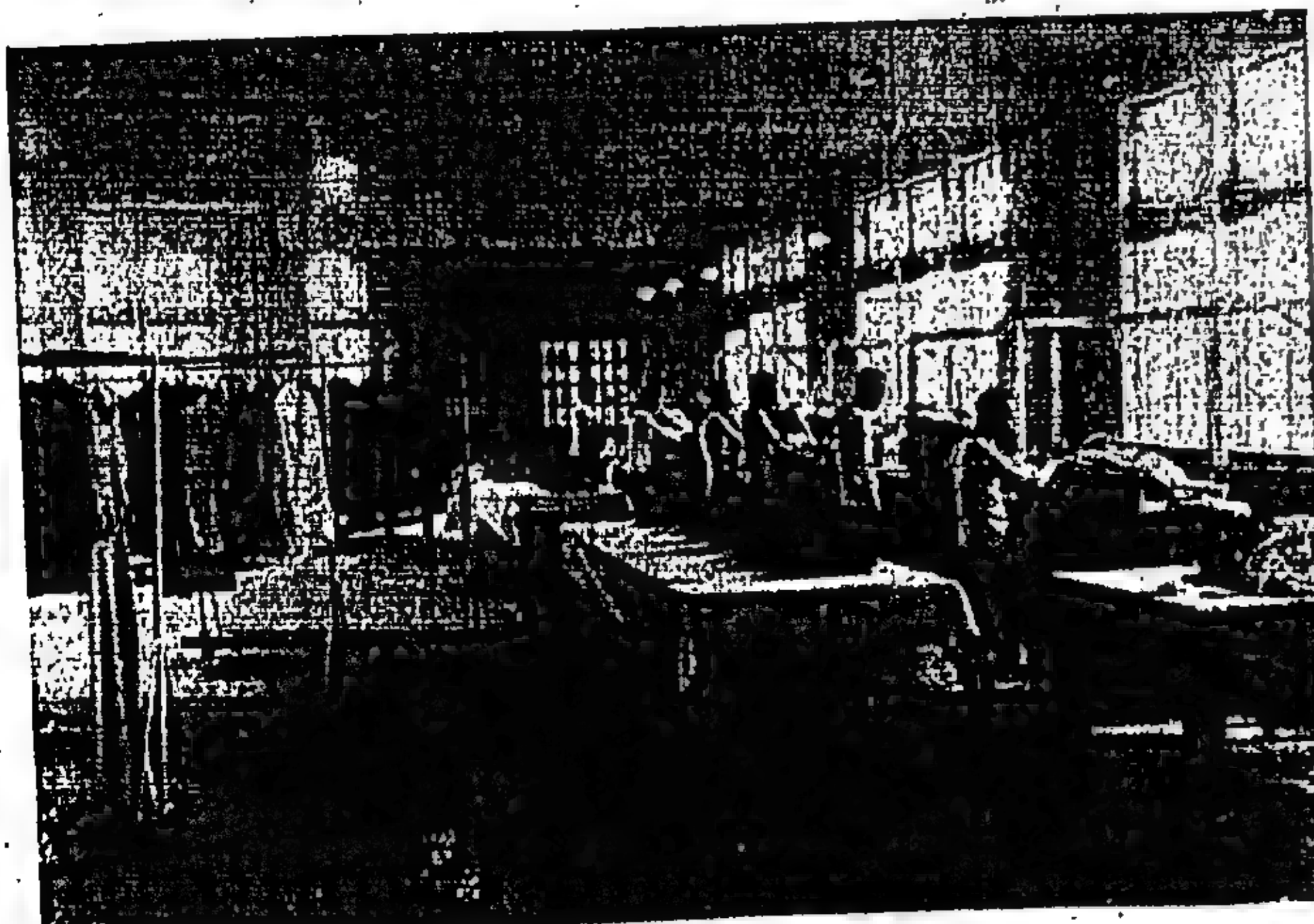
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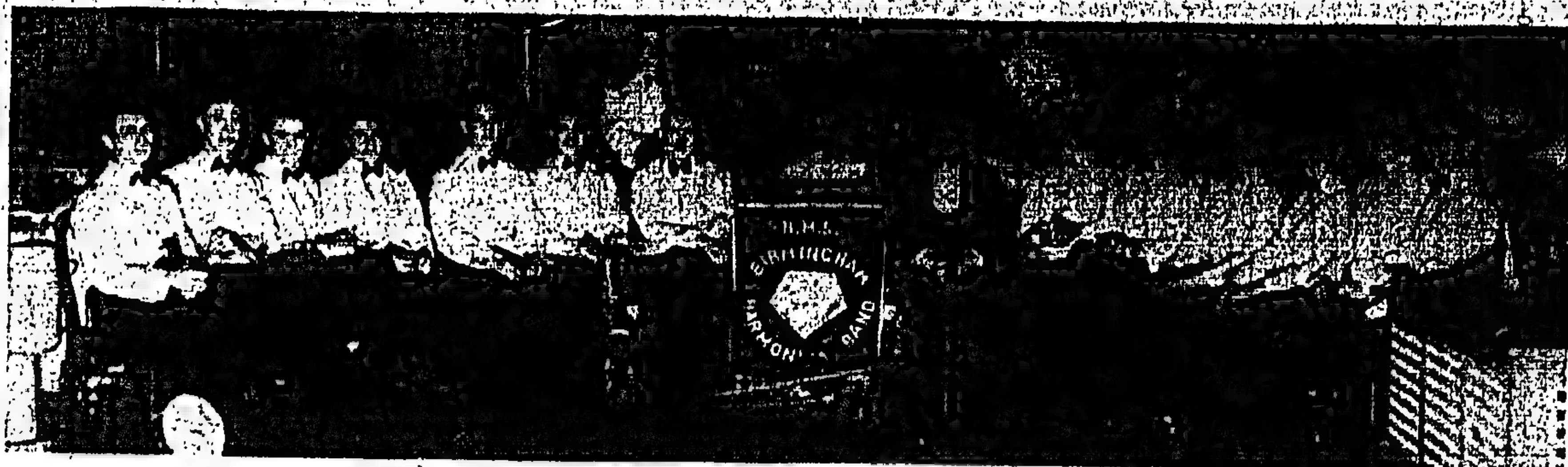
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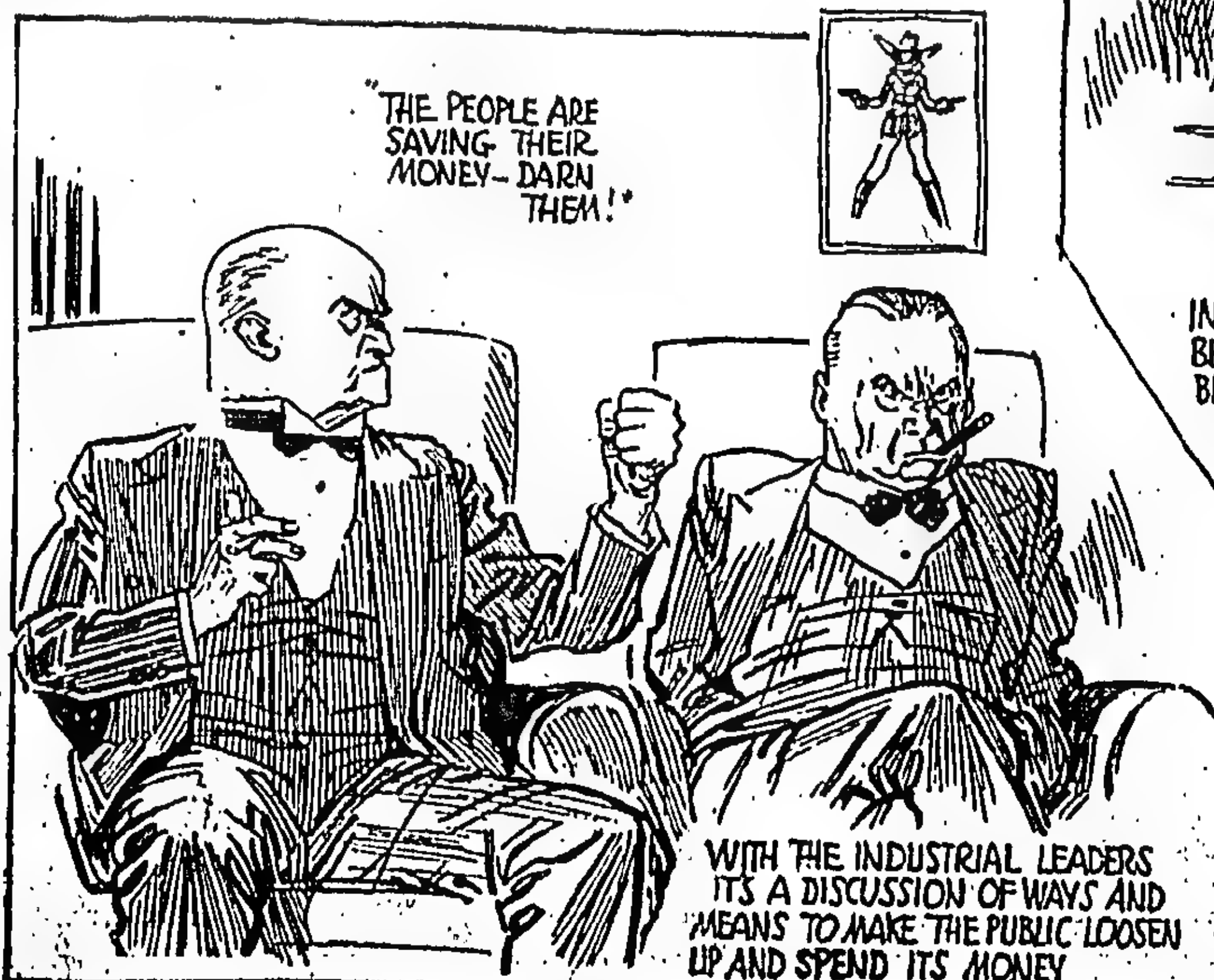
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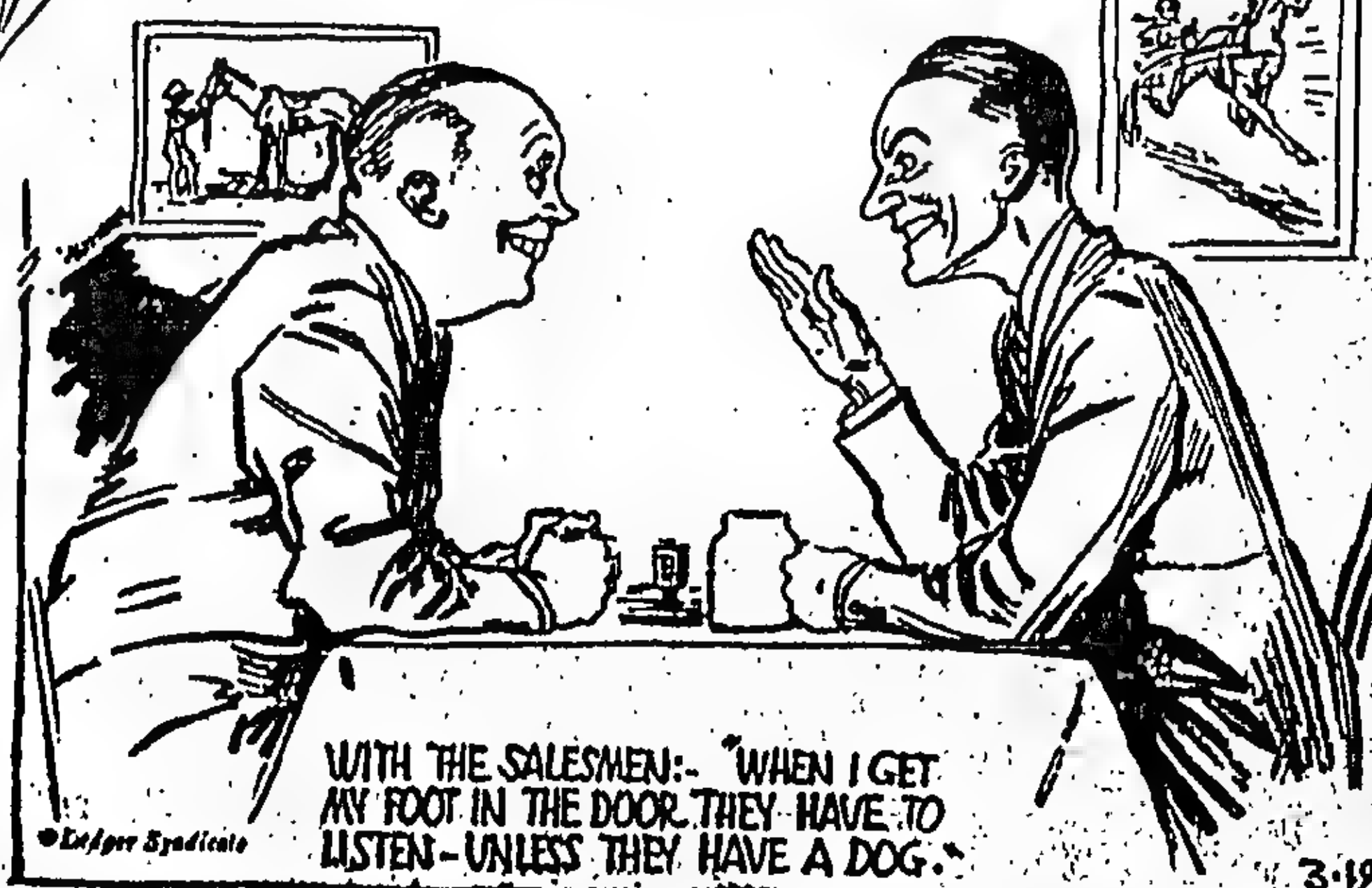
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If your route is through a countryside of historical interest, study your facts first. It adds zest to the walk if you can point out various landmarks with authority.

Your party should include an "official" photographer. It is her job to make a record of the journey and take pictures of members.

Before setting out, have a cold sponge, and shake some talcum or boracic powder in your socks.

Take a small first-aid box with you, to include bandages, iodine, boracic ointment, and scissors. Accidents sometimes happen, even in the best regulated of hikes.

Although you may like to feel windswept, there is no need to look it. Don't, therefore, forget to pack your own powder, cream, and cleansing tissues (as well as a small hand mirror).

Do all these things—and the success of your hiking party is assured!

O. L.

Guitry Chooses Fourth Wife

PARIS. A 19-YEAR-OLD film star, niece of a French General, is to be the fourth wife of Sacha Guitry, famous 53-year-old French actor.

She visited London with him last month.

Sacha's chosen is Mlle. Genevieve de Saint Jean.

She starred with her husband-to-be in his latest film after having worked for some time as an extra.

Guitry's divorce from Jacqueline Delubac, whom he presented to the King and Queen when they visited Paris last summer, was pronounced a few days ago.

He was previously married to Mlle. Charlotte Lyces and Mlle. Yvonne Fringetemps.

Mlle. de St. Jean, who was educated in England, visited London with M. Guitry on the occasion of the

Cleaning Hints

TO clean plaster statuettes, prepare a thick paste with powdered starch. While the starch is still hot, dip a brush in and apply a generous coating to the article. Leave to dry, and it will be found that the starch will flake off quite easily, taking all the dirt with it.

Starch is also useful when cleaning wallpaper. Immerse an old lace curtain in cold water, starch and rub off dry. Rub soiled part of wallpaper lightly with this, and all traces of dirt will disappear.

A. W.

State visit of President and Mme. Lebrun.

With Sir Seymour Hicks they appeared in a sketch specially written by M. Guitry.

Mlle. de Saint Jean has not yet appeared on the stage.

SHORT CUTS

Laundry hint: Evenly sprinkled clothes are easier to iron.

Use raw potato to remove fruit or vinegar stains on steel.

Try a peanut butter and honey sandwich for the schlemm lunch-box. So two parts of peanut butter add one part of liquid honey and mix to a smooth paste.

If soap and water fail to remove fresh food stains entirely, apply concentrated ammonia and then wash stains off with alcohol.

For a more tender and juicy roast turkey, place the bird in the oven breast down, turning it breast-side up for browning only toward the last of the cooking-time. In this position juices are less apt to dry out.

When cooking string beans or cabbage, a small piece of salt pork may be added for seasoning, and a meat flavour.

Clean scatter rugs crosswise with a carpet sweeper and they will not wrinkle.

Useful Dates

WE do not take full advantage of dates throughout the year. It is a highly nutritious article of diet, and is in season when fresh fruits are not so easy to obtain.

Dull puddings become more appetising if a few dates are included in their make-up, and children who normally need coaxing to eat milk puddings are quite ready to "try some" if the rice, &c., is well mixed with stoned dates. Less sweetening is needed, because a date contains more than half its weight in sugar.

Baked or steamed apples can be made a "surprise" dish if they are cored and then stuffed with dates.

A pleasant change for a steamed fruit pudding is to add 2 ozs. of stoned and chopped dates and the grated rind of half a lemon to your usual foundation recipe.

These small castle puddings (weight of one egg in butter, sugar, and flour) which one bakes in individual tins, are greatly improved by adding chopped dates. No other flavouring is needed, and the puddings can be served with a custard sauce instead of jam.

Stewed rhubarb and dates make a delicious sweet, as the dates counteract the tartness of the rhubarb.

Be sure not to omit fresh fruit salads from the menu. All uncooked fruit and vegetables contain vitamin C, and again, dates will help with their sweetening properties.

A good recipe for a mixed fruit sandwich, is to moisten some chopped dates, figs, and nuts with lemon juice, and spread thinly on brown bread and butter.

Dates, chopped nuts, and cream cheese, also make a good sandwich.

D. M. H.

Date Rice Pudding

2 eggs, beaten light
2 cups cooked rice
1 cup milk
1/2 cup honey
1/2 cup dates, chopped

Mix the beaten eggs and milk. Make alternate layers of rice and dates, drizzling honey over each layer. Repeat until the rice and dates have been used. Pour the beaten egg and milk over the mixture and bake in a moderately slow oven 45 minutes. Serve with whipped cream or plain as desired. Six servings.



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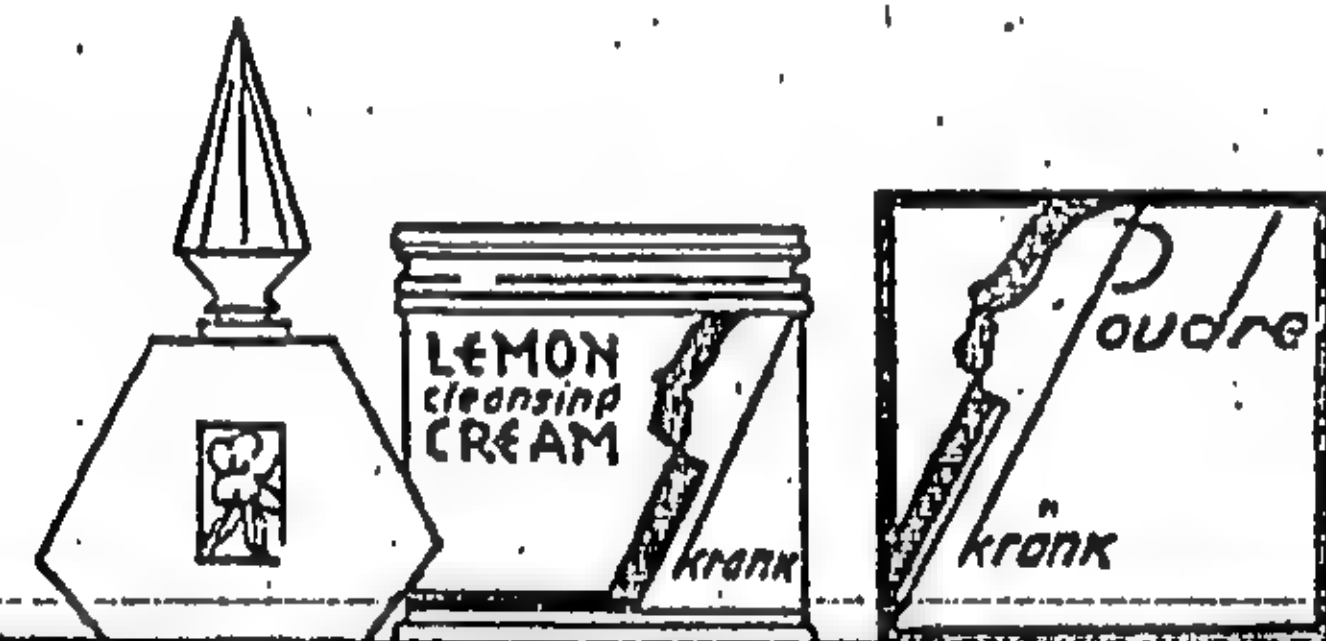
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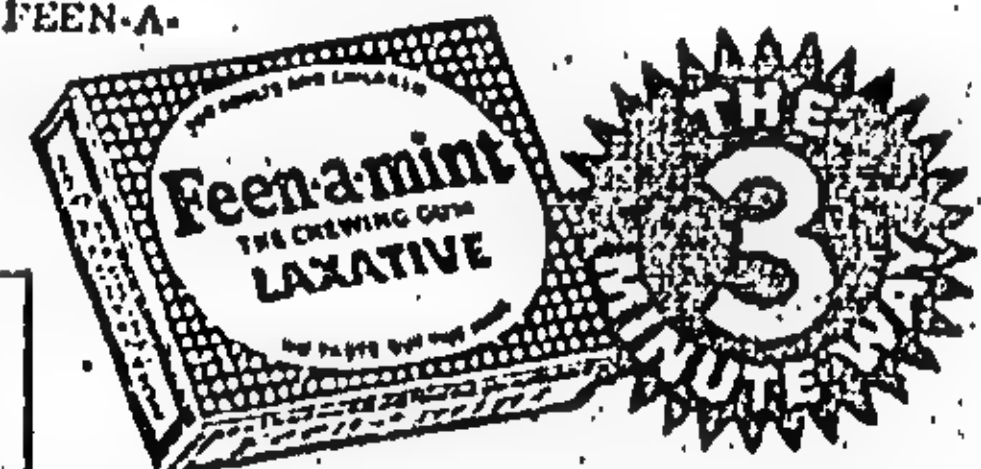


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Many charming Hongkong ladies will take part in the Cabaret show at the S.P.C. Ball to be held at the Peninsula Hotel on April 14. Several of them are photographed on this page.

ABOVE:
DAWN DIGBY.

LEFT:
NOREEN JORDAN.

FAR LEFT:
BETTY PESTONJI.



ABOVE:
ALICE DULKELEY.

LOWER LEFT:
PHYLLIS BICKNELL.

LOWER RIGHT:
GRACE SWAN.



ABOVE:
BETTY RICHARDS.
BELOW:
AILEEN FURVES.



ABOVE:
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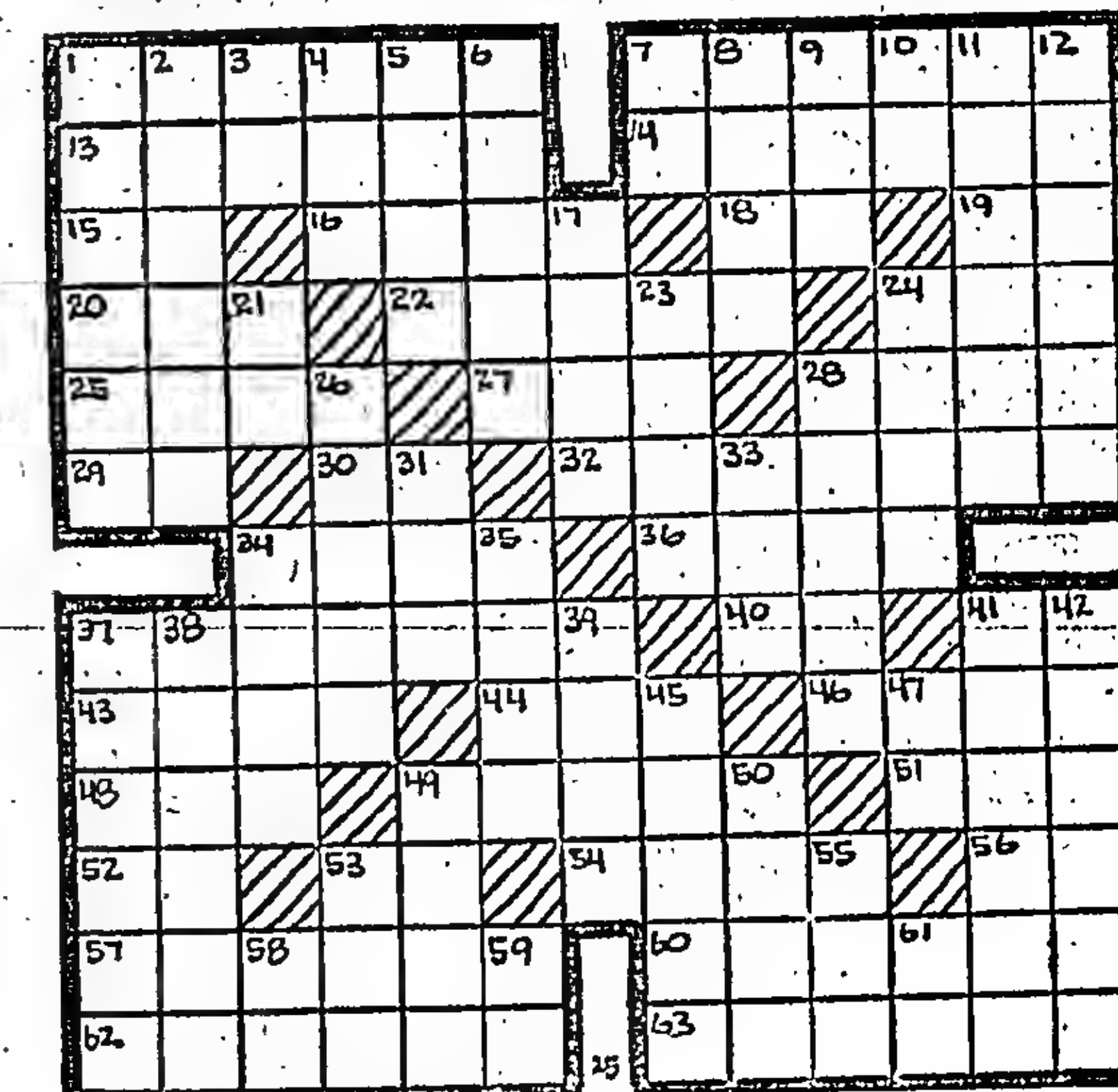
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1-Exit
2-Piece of gold ore
3-City in Germany
4-Without class (abbr.)
5-Biblical name
6-That is (abbr.)
7-Tropical star
8-City in Germany
9-Monster, holy book
10-Water
11-Radical (abbr.)
12-Necessity
13-Penns. hall
14-Consumes (coll.)
15-Suitor one who
16-Vermish-like substance
17-Give forth
18-Crown
19-Excitation of
20-Satisfaction
21-George Russell
22-Famous mother
23-London (abbr.)
24-Organ of hearing
25-Dr. (abbr.)
26-Mexican plants
27-Intersected
28-East Indian (abbr.)
29-Silky material
30-Near (adjective)
31-Compass point

DOWN

1-Make certain
2-Exophagus
3-Football position (abbr.)
4-Owl
5-Dated
6-Cherson (abbr.)
7-Pterodactyl (abbr.)
8-Directly destroy
9-Unit
10-Penns. two
11-Burn disease
12-Prevalence to
13-geologic state
14-Armstrong (abbr.)
15-Doctor's degree
16-Paid
17-Circle
18-Those sound to land
19-Well earth
20-Squashy river
21-Large bird
22-Distant
23-Removes oil
24-Mid-day
25-Animal (abbr.)
26-Compound ether
27-Female relative
28-Exit
29-Mat
30-Line of sewing
31-Talent
32-Confederate island
33-Latin diphthong
34-Tellurium
35-Tree



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"STICKS" DUFF DOMINATES PLAY IN FINE TENNIS MATCH

Best Smashing Seen In Hongkong In Years

(By "Abe")

Had not Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau shown such remarkable powers of recovery, they would almost certainly have gone under in their second round match against T. A. Pearce and W. A. H. ("Sticks") Duff in the Colony Tennis Championships on the Hongkong C.C. stand court on Thursday. As it was the Chinese, in the face of powerful smashing by Duff, revealed phenomenal retrieving qualities which enabled them to live to fight another day.

With the scores one set all and five games all in the third set, failing light caused the match to be abandoned. It will be played all over again sometime next week.

The two most prominent features of the match, which kept the big gallery on tenterhooks for an hour and 40 minutes, were the terrific overhead work of Duff and the splendid defence of the Chinese pair. Smash after smash, each a seeming winner, was returned with almost monotonous regularity, and but for Duff, who participated in a couple of exhibition matches in Manila only last week, was in great form and was the dominating figure on the court. In addition to his powerful smashes from almost any position he revealed very steady ground shots, and if he had received a due measure of support from his partner in the first set he would not have been able to win it. As it was, the set went to 28 games before the staid C.R.C. pair succeeded.

BEST SINCE NUNOI

Nothing like Duff's smashing has been seen on local courts, I am sure, since Nunoi, the Japanese Davis Cup player, visited the Colony some years ago on his way to Europe. It was notable not only for its power but also for the sharpness of its angles. One little criticism which one might make is that he did not vary his smashes enough. After the first few games the Chinese learned that the only way of retrieving Duff's smashes was to stand a few yards behind the base-line, and from this position they returned almost everything that was within reach. But they would not have been so successful had Duff now and again dropped a short one over the net.

Pearce and Lee started the match shakily, and the former in particular made a great number of mistakes, as a result of which the Chinese went to a lead of 5-3 in the first set. Both im-

Results Of Matches

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

Open Singles

S. A. Rumjahn beat J. M. Tomlinson 6-2, 6-3.
Lee Wai-tong beat Chan Kam-moon 6-3, 6-4.

Open Doubles

T. A. Pearce and W. A. H. Duff 13-15, 6-0, 5-5 against Ho Ka-lau and Lee Yue-wing when match was abandoned.

proved, however, and in the later stages of the encounter gave their partner capable support.

Pearce played the correct game in the second and third sets. In view of the splendid form shown by his partner, he was content to cut down his mistakes to a minimum, and by holding up his end, left Duff to do the rest.

HO KA-LAU SHINES

While Ho Ka-lau now and again took the initiative, his partner, Lee Yue-wing, played a purely defensive game right through. Though his smashing was not nearly as powerful as that of Duff, Ho scored many winners in this department because of good placements. Both the Chinese players lobbed consistently well; it was just as well for them that they did, for Duff was merciless with any lobs short of a length.

The Britons saved several set points before conceding the first set,

HOME FOOTBALL LEADERS DRAWING FURTHER AWAY FROM REST

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100/8 Admiral's Walk (o)
100/8 Meadom (o)

—Reuter.

but in the second they rode roughshod over their opponents, winning it to love. Just when they appeared to have gained the ascendancy, the Chinese fought back from a 2-4 score in the final set to lead 5-4. But they lost the tenth game, and in view of the poor light the match was abandoned.

The first set took an hour and the second only 14 minutes.

Two other matches were played during the day. S. A. Rumjahn and Lee Wai-tong entering the quarter-finals of the singles championship by beating J. M. Tomlinson and Chan Kam-moon respectively.

Neither Tomlinson nor Chan was up to the standard of his opponent, though Chan did well to take seven games from the soccer star.

Both Everton and Blackburn Rovers have drawn further away in the lead in the First and Second Divisions respectively in the English Football League as the result of the matches played to-day. Despite having to play away, both these teams won.

Everton visited Sunderland and emerged victorious by the odd goal in three, while Blackburn went to Fulham to win by the odd goal in five.

Sheffield Wednesday, Blackburn's closest rivals, failed against Millwall and were defeated by two goals to nil.

Newport, leaders of the southern section of the Third Division, just got through by the only goal of the match against Torquay, and Barnsley, leaders of the northern section, playing away to Stockport, were held to a draw of 1-1.

The following were the scores of matches, as cabled by Reuter:

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Liverpool 4 Birmingham 0
Manchester U. 0 Leeds 0
Portsmouth 1 Derby 1
Sunderland 1 Everton 2

SECOND DIVISION

Burnley 2 Sheffield U. 3
Bury 1 Manchester C. 3
Chesterfield 2 Newcastle 0

Fulham 2 Blackburn 3
Luton 0 Southampton 2
Millwall 2 Wednesday 0
Notts Forest 2 West Brom. 0
Tottenham 1 Plymouth 0
Tranmere 2 Swans 2
West Ham 0 Bradford 2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Aldershot 1 Watford 1
Brighton 2 Bournemouth 1
Bristol R. 2 Walsall 3
Clapton O. 3 Exeter 3
Crystal Pal. 0 Bristol C. 0
Mansfield 0 Reading 0
Newport 1 Torquay 1
Port Vale 3 Notts C. 0
Queen's P.R. 0 Ipswich 0
Southend 2 Cardiff 1
Swindon 1 Northampton 0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Carlisle 1 York 3
Chester 1 Barrow 2
Crewe 4 Rochdale 4
Darlington 3 Wrexham 3
Doncaster 7 Gillingham 7
Hartlepool 3 Gateshead 3
Hull 1 Halifax 1
Lincoln 1 Oldham 1
Southport 1 Rotherham 0
Stockport 1 Barnsley 2
New Brighton 2 Bradford C. 2



GRAND NATIONAL FINISH.—Sir Alexander Macnair's Workman flashing past the winning post in the Grand National at Aintree on March 21, beating Capt. Scott Briggs' Macmoffat by three lengths, with Miss Dorothy Page's Kilestar, the favourite, 15 lengths behind.

MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

First Time Title Has Ever Changed Hands

(By "The Bird")

For the first time since the inauguration of the Hongkong Badminton League, the mixed doubles league championship changed hands on Thursday night, when the University beat Club de Recreio (holders) in a play-off at Taikoo by six sets to three.

University were worthy winners, although a decision was not reached until the final stages of the match, K. L. Yong and Miss Ullian Khoo beating J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro in the seventh game to give the Varsity a winning lead of 5-2.

But for some poor overhead shots by Remedios and a few ill-advised interceptions by his partner, the Portuguese might have won this game and kept the issue open. Remedios and Miss Ribeiro started off strongly and secured a useful lead of five points, but once the University couple had recovered this lead, they consolidated the position by tightening up their play, which earlier on had been very ragged and dispirited.

DISAPPOINTING BADMINTON

To say that the badminton as a whole reached expectations would only be a study in flattery to the players. For the most part play was exceptionally dull, brightened only by flashes of brilliant court-craft by Hui, skilful cross-court returns by Bun and Remedios, and occasionally a fierce rally of some eight or nine strokes. But the percentage of mistakes on both sides was out of all proportion. There was some reason for it in the initial stages of the match with the players obviously keyed up and over-anxious, but the lapses continued even after the mental discomposure.

Recreio appeared to be playing defensive badminton from the start, and this foreign style of play not unnaturally showed its effect on the players' strokes and technique. The Varsity too, seemed to sense the position and very correctly made use of it by sustaining the attack.

Hui was always masterful, and only carelessness, probably due to the fact that the result had already been decided, allowed him to lose to Oliveira and Miss Silva. But in the other two games he simply dominated the court, planting the shuttlecock to whatever part he desired and making "kills" and winning drop shots at the appropriate moment.

Oliveira, as always, was a splendid worker, and one noticed that he had toned down his play a good deal, paying more attention to the drop shot. But his chief weakness still remains an inability to angle his smashes, and dozens of opportunities were wasted in this match by him smashing straight at the opposition instead of aiming for the open court. He played finely against Hui and Miss Choo, and for the only time in the match had the Colony champion on the run.

Remedios started off poorly and never recovered, although his second game against Bun and Miss Anderson saw him produce some magnificent winners. From a spectators' point of view this was the best tie of the evening, as Bun also covered the court with great dexterity and often

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Six-A-Side Hockey Again Postponed

Owing to the fact that the Hongkong Bisley Shoot will be in progress on Sunday, April 16, the Six-A-Side Hockey Tournament has been further postponed and will now take place on Sunday, April 30, commencing at 2 p.m.

The semi-finals of the International Tournament will be played on Nos. 1 and 2 Navy ground on April 19 at 5.15 p.m. and the final will be decided on the Club ground on April 23 at 4 p.m.

Will Police Cause Upset In Shield?

(By "Abe")

Not since 1920 have the Hongkong Police footballers won the Senior Shield, though they have appeared in the final since that success, the last time being in 1935 when they lost to South China "B", who were strengthened in this game by the re-appearance of Lee Wai-tong.

To-day, on the Club ground, the Police will again take part in the final. Their opponents are the South China "A", who have won the Shield during the last three years.

Will the Police be able to upset the Chinese?

This is a question which all followers of the game have been asking themselves since the Police eliminated St. Joseph's after extra time in the semi-finals. The claims that the Police have a good chance of doing so were given added emphasis by the victory of the guardians of the peace over the Chinese in a League match a fortnight ago, but will they be able to repeat the performance?

Judging by current form, the Chinese are at the moment much the better team, but League form, as is well-known, is a notoriously flimsy reliance can be placed on the respective positions of the teams in the League Table. But one thing one has to remember is that the Chinese have a great chance of winning both the League Championship and the Shield, and this will give them an added incentive to win.

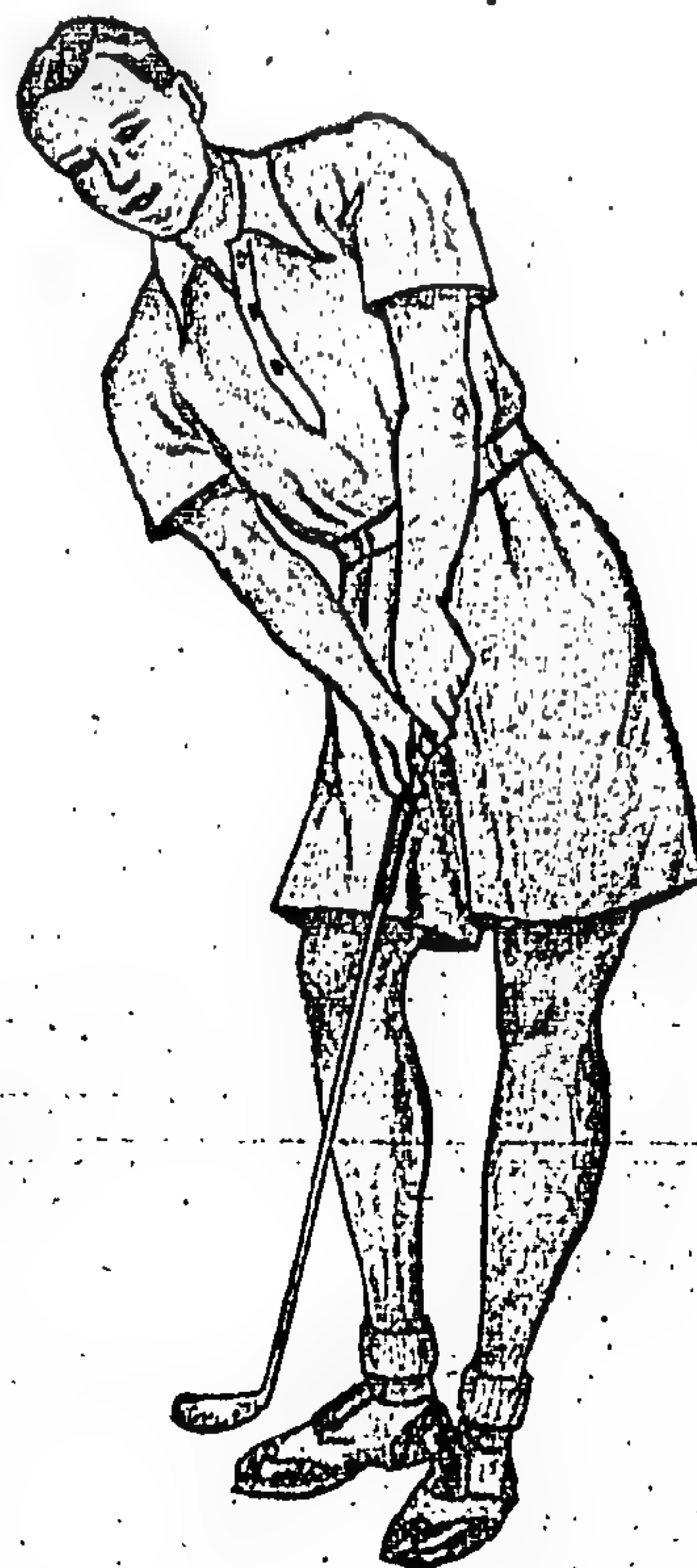
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University Carry Off Title

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pulled out a breath-taking cross-court drop-drive.

MUST WATCH HIS SERVICE

K. L. Yong was as usual highly efficient, although his service deserves a lot of penalisation. He takes a lot of risk with it and more than once in this match served well above the waist, which is contrary to rules. It is particularly puzzling to know why he admits this form of service as the shot itself is usually quite simple to return.

Perhaps the biggest disappointment of the match was the generally low level of play among the ladies. Several of them by now have had considerable league experience with the benefit of playing with some of our best male exponents, yet little or no advance in their technique is to be discerned. The same old characteristic indifference when intercepting, and the usual stereotyped short-court game featured the entire match. There were dozens of errors which should never have been committed by such experienced players. Occasionally a nice wristy angled drop-shot was seen, as well as a rousing "kill" but the effect of these exhilarating strokes were nullified by some appalling blunders which one found hard to associate with such players.

Miss Silva was the most consistent of the women, while Miss Khoo was adroit in her use of the short game. Miss Ribeiro has certainly been seen to play very much better. Miss Chon and Miss Anderson are not so experienced, and there is still plenty of time and opportunity for them to eliminate the mistakes which characterise their play at the present.

But both serve consistently well, which is a factor decidedly in their favour. Miss Xavier seemed to find the occasion too big for her and did not reproduce customary form.

But at no stage during the match was the superiority of the Varsity players in doubt. The men were quicker and more versatile than their opposite numbers, and the Recreio ladies did not enjoy a corresponding

Championships Should Conclude Next Week, League in Fortnight

(By "The Bird")

THE end of the badminton season is now in sight. Next week the championships will be concluded, and the next fortnight should see the "B" Division programme brought to a finish, with Chung Wah as champions.

Some first-class and exciting matches are promised at Recreio and Talkoo on Wednesday and Thursday next. At the Recreio on Wednesday, the big match will be the mixed doubles final between P. K. Hui and Miss J. Khoo, the holders, and M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva, who have always been the champions' greatest rivals. The Portuguese pair have one or two defeats to wipe out, but to do this on Wednesday they will have to touch absolute peak form, as Hui is in splendid fettle right now, and his partner has already proved herself capable of rising to the big occasion.

This match will be preceded by the final of the men's junior singles between S. H. Boone and David Kwok. The match should produce some really good badminton as both players are only a little short of the form usually shown by the seniors. Kwok is generally favoured to win, but Boone has played well enough in four preceding rounds to demonstrate that he is capable of refuting popular opinion.

C. Au's Challenge

TAIKOO is the venue for the remaining two finals on Thursday.

advantage which was expected over the University ladies.

Scores:
J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro lost to B. K. Hui and Miss J. Chon, 10-21; beat C. H. Bun and Miss J. Anderson, 24-10; lost to K. L. Yong and U. Khoo, 14-21.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat Hui and Miss Chon, 24-21; beat Bun and Miss Anderson, 21-17; lost to Yong and Miss Khoo, 14-21.
L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro lost to Hui and Miss Chon, 0-21; lost to Bun and Miss Anderson, 17-21; lost to Yong and Miss Khoo, 6-21.

The first match will be the much anticipated men's senior singles between Hui and C. Au. Hui is expected to retain his title, but Au has shown so well to date, notably in the semi-final against Yong, that the champion cannot expect an easy journey, and may well be taken to the third game.

This tie will be followed by the men's doubles, which is an all-University affair, the holders, Hui and K. L. Yong opposing M. S. Lim and P. S. Bun.

Even though Hui has to play a singles tie before, it is doubtful whether the challengers can beat such a powerful combination as the champions, whose match experience alone should be sufficient to pull them through.

There will be a 30 cents admission charge on both nights, and it is expected that record crowds will attend to see what promise to be some of the best badminton matches seen in Hongkong.

League Winding Up

It is expected that the league season will be wound up at the end of April. Although the University have won the "A" Division, fixtures are by no means completed. During this week the Recreio met and defeated Chinese Y.M.C.A. and thus assured themselves of second place. But most of the teams are waiting for King's College to play. King's appear to have lost all interest—for no apparent reason—and seemingly their excuses for continual postponement of matches have been vague and by no means convincing. Quite obviously the season cannot be extended indefinitely because of the lack of interest on the part of one team. King's would do well to make up their minds, either to fulfil their outstanding engagements forthwith, or concede walk-overs, although the latter course is not to be encouraged, and is certainly not to the benefit of league badminton.

"Capt. Foster" Selects The Following:

(By "Captain Foster")

There are ten races down for to-day's meeting and my selections are as follows:

TAIWAN BAY HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)
Sylvandale
Ebony Idol
Valorous

MIRS BAY STAKES
Jennifer
English Cavalier
Blue Diamond

ALBURY HANDICAP
Lancashire Chips
Lucky Lad
Courtling Eve

SUB-GRIFFINS SPRING H'CAP
Markman
Rose Evelyn
Celtic Star

HONGHAM BAY HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)
Red Feather
Eve of Harvest
Conquering Time

GIN DRINKERS BAY STAKES
Wilber
Guinness Time
Welcome

DEEP BAY STAKES
Kut Cheung
Wild Bear
Fairchild

ROSEHILL STAKES
A Rearing Time
Wilfred
Rising Star

TAIWAN BAY HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)
Whaleys
Racing Boy
Good Morning

HONGHAM BAY HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)
Tampa Bay
Oak Bay
Just in Time

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2nd Race

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3rd Race

Lucky Lad
Lancashire Chips
Courtling Eve

4th Race

Rose Evelyn
Markman
Celtic Star

5th Race

Moonlight View
Red Feather
Rob Roy

6th Race

February Fourth
Dressy
Maggie

7th Race

Wild Bear
Kut Cheung
Phoenix

8th Race

Rising Star
Ruby Star
A. Roaring Time

9th Race

Racing Boy
Tempest
Good Morning

10th Race

Just in Time
Tampa Bay
Oak Bay

Daily Double
Moonlight View & Wild Bear.

English Players For Trial Game

The following are chosen to represent England in a trial game to be played against the Kumaon Rifles on the U.S.R.C. ground on Monday at 4.30 p.m.:
Osman (R.A.O.C.), Bond (Club), Carter (R.A.), Lt. Clayton (Navy), Lt. Hook (R.A.), Parker (Police), S. A. Fowler (Club), G. Fowler (C.B.A.), S. M. Ellis (8th A.A.), Marshall (R.A.), Pte. Dunne (Middlesex), Lt. Carr (Navy), Lt. Chatterley (Middlesex), Bright (Middlesex), Lt. Ram (Navy), Lt. Gemmel (Navy) and Lt. Firth (Navy).

ANNUAL BOWLS

The Dockyard Recreation Club and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club will meet in their annual bowling match at Austin Road to-morrow. Play will commence at 3.30 p.m. and the teams are as follows:

Dockyard.—W. H. Organ, F. H. Wilkinson, F. H. Hopkins, J. Hollidge (skip), A. Morton, W. C. Hodder, F. White, C. B. Hosking (skip), S. Hammond, E. A. Kirman, C. W. Turpin, A. A. Lewis (skip), Denoon, W. A. Tomlin, E. A. Atkins, W. Peary (skip), H. J. Bickness, F. H. Harper, L. G. Coombes, W. Gill (skip), E. F. Pope, S. C. Walker, H. E. Drew, A. B. Allan (skip).
Kowloon.—John Watson, B. E. Maughan, W. S. Drake, J. G. Meyer (skip), V. C. Dixon, Jack Watson, A. (skip), R. Duncan (skip), H. L. J. Hall, D. W. Waterton, A. Mac-Mockhart, S. Ramble (skip), R. P. Phillips, P. J. A. Hamilton, J. S. Lown, W. Macfarlane (skip), W. L. Walker, T. E. Robson, J. C. Gill, A. M. Holland (skip), E. V. S. Earle, K. C. Hamilton, S. M. White, G. E. F. Thompson (skip).

BOSTON BEAT TORONTO AT ICE HOCKEY

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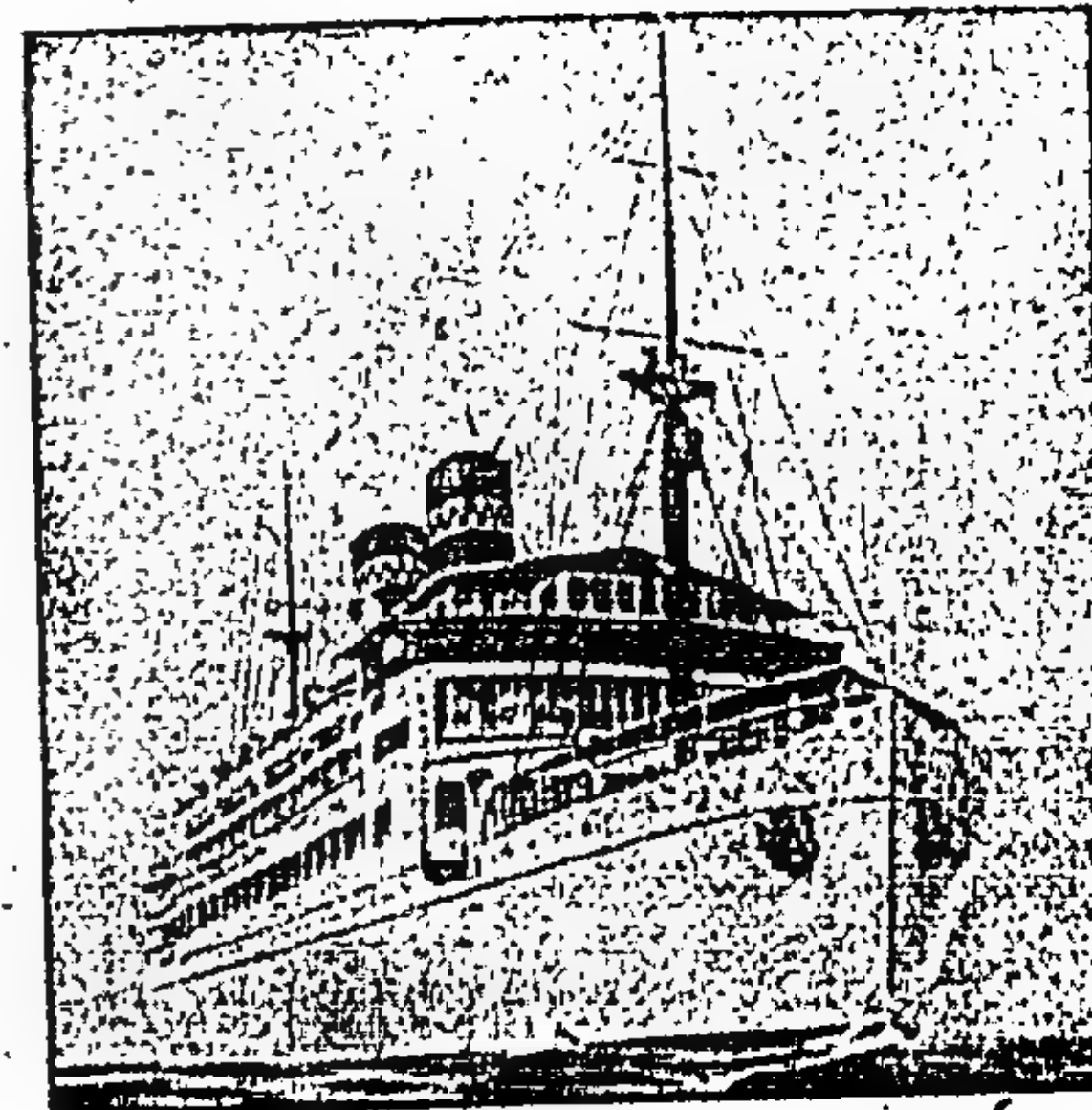
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FB2131 Island of Maui Hula Tony Martin.
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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

In no direction has European enterprise in Hongkong been more steadily active during the last few years than in the erection of residences at the Peak. Ten years ago there were certainly not more than half-a-dozen houses on all the many summits of the island, and some of those were of a very temporary character.

The chief drawback was not so much the "impenetrable fogs" which clothe the hill-tops as the want of speedier modes of ascent, and this want was supplied when Mr. Findlay Smith, with his funderful railway, decided that the private chair-coach must go. The completion of the Tramway gave a considerable impetus to building operations up in cloudland, and by the end of last year there were nearly sixty houses occupied. Between thirty and forty more are in course of construction, ranging from the practically-completed building to the bare foundations.

The sheltered hollow just above the Ladies' Recreation Ground is a very favourite location. The Hon. D. Layton has almost finished a splendid residence with tennis-courts, etc., attached; the trustees of the late Mr. W. H. Brereton are erecting a terrace of ten houses; Mr. L. Pasencker has completed a fine residence, adjoining one which is being prepared for Mr. G. S. Coxon. The Richmond Terrace Building Company have three houses partially completed. Mr. S. G. Bird is also providing one for himself, and several more will probably soon be begun by the Hon. C. P. Chater. Gas has already been carried up to the highest house in the group, and water—temporarily obtained from a spring—will be pumped up by the Electric Light Co. by the end of the year.

Right overhead, at the most prominent part of the Peak summit, Mr. Bell-lia is going to reproduce the halls of his fathers in "a lovely pleasure house, wherein at ease for aye to dwell." Midway between the signal station and his present house—"The Eyrie"—Mr. Bell-lia purposes erecting a villa in the Moorish style—not more rentish, which is the design he builds his other houses on—with circular dome-headed watch-turrets at the sides, horse-shoe arches and windows, and a lofty Oriental cupola, the central hall to be decorated after a very long way after—the Alhambra. From its position a magnificent view will be commanded, whilst the building will be a conspicuous feature in the appearance of the Peak. Near the flagstaff two villas are being built for Mr. Jones Hughes and Mr. M. J. Evans. Close to the Peak Police Station, a few yards above the Tramway head-quarters, the Austin Arms Hotel site is being prepared. Judging from the design the new hotel will be a really fine one when completed, and will face the west and south, and will have a total frontage of over 500 feet. There will be upwards of fifty bedrooms, besides billiard-rooms, drawing-rooms, bars, etc., and no improvement will be wanting. A short distance away, where the present old-fashioned edifice will soon be razed, in order to obviate the inconvenience of even temporarily diminishing the present accommodation, part of the projected hotel will be erected adjoining the latter one, and when fitted up, the latter building will be removed to make way for the remaining new portion. A minute or two's walk beyond here brings one to the terrace which the Austin Arms Company is constructing. Operations have been delayed, but five of the eleven houses are now getting well up, and will be ready about this time of the year. The rest are by no means so advanced. Almost within a stone-throw of them is what, when finished, will be one of the finest residences in the district. It is being built by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire for Mr. E. Mackintosh, the present head of the firm in this colony, and the design, and under the supervision of Mr. Mackintosh, Inspector of buildings at the Tai-ko-Sugar Refinery. No expense has been spared to ensure solidity; the foundations are unusually deep and the iron girders are used in place of beams, the staircases are built on a light iron superstructure, and the ceilings are elaborately carved. The work is being done in carrying out the suggestion of the architect, and the result is a building at present unequalled in the district for situation or substantiality.

Mount Gough is being very rapidly populated, and building is going on everywhere. The Spratly Islands are laying house to house on their lot in the centre of the district. They have three now under way, and contemplate building three or four more. Mr. H. Denny is preparing two or three extensive sites near his residence on the summit of Mount Gough, and Mr. Chater has commenced a house near Dr. Adams' well-known residence, for Mr. Stewart-Lockhart. On Mount Kel-lie, near "Myrtle Bank," Mr. Bell-lia is building a row of six small houses, and three more will soon be begun. At the top of Wanchai Gap, conspicuously visible from the town, two semi-detached villas are being erected to Mr. J. H. Smith, in the order of the same locality, near the Sanatorium, Mr. J. F. Francis, Q.C., has just finished a terrace of three houses. On the side of Mount Kel-lie Mr. W. Denny is building himself a fine house. Besides these new buildings, many of the existing houses are being extended and enlarged.

25 YEARS AGO

April 8, 1914.
Mr. Gordon Selfridge has built for between £250,000 and £300,000 site, shop, and stock, and will take over the staff of T. Lloyd and Co., drapers.

It is expected that the new police courts which are being built on the site of the old ones, will be completed by about October of this year.

10 YEARS AGO

April 8, 1929.
In spite of the rainfall last week-end there is no appreciable improvement in the state of Hongkong's reservoirs, and we are officially informed that the quantity that they contain supplies only sufficient for 70 days.

5 YEARS AGO

April 8, 1934.
The newly erected Sikh Temple at Gap Road was officially inaugurated by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe on Saturday afternoon in the presence of a large number of local Sikh residents.

There was a large congregation at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday morning, when the Rev. James Robert Higgs, B.A., was instituted as Vicar of the Church by the Bishop of Victoria, the Rev. Ronald Owen Hall.

"The Umbrella Dance" . . . By Cheung



How a local cartoonist sees the situation in Europe.

CHURCH NOTICES.

EMMANUEL CHURCH (Nathan Road)

Rev. Harrison To Preach
To-morrow

Saturday.—8.30 p.m. Fellowship Meeting followed by the Lord's Supper.

Sunday.—11 a.m. Divine Service. Preacher, Rev. F. B. Harrison. 3 p.m. Sunday School and Bible Classes; 8.30 p.m. Gospel Service, preceded by Song Service at 8 p.m. Preacher, Rev. Robt. Patterson.

Monday.—8 p.m. S.A.C.A. Meeting.

Tuesday.—All Day of Prayer; 2.30 p.m. Meeting for Chinese Amahs.

Wednesday.—8 p.m. Praise and Prayer Meeting.

Thursday.—10.30 a.m. Women's Bible Study Circle at 210 Nathan Road.

Friday.—4.45 p.m. Children's Scripture Union Meeting; 8 p.m. Bible Study Circle at 3 Ho Man Tin Street, Top floor.

All are welcome. No collection on Sunday evening.

UNION CHURCH (Kennedy Road)

Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow To Preach on Sunday

Morning Service 10.30 a.m. Evening Service 8 p.m. Preacher at both services, Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at the close of Morning and Evening Service.

A Jumble Sale will be held in the Church Hall on Friday, April 14. All contributions will be gratefully received, and should be sent to the Church Hall any time before that date.

The Helena May Religious Fellowship meets in the Institute on Friday morning at 10.30 a.m. A cordial invitation to attend is extended to all the ladies of Union Church.

LESSON SERMON

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches to-day, will be "Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real?"

The Golden Text will be—"I am the Lord that health thee." (Exodus 15: 26). Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible:—"Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise. In the way of righteousness is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death. Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey: whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life." (Jer. 17: 7 & 14; Prov. 12: 22; Rom. 6: 12 & 23).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy:—"All reality is in God and His creation, harmonious and eternal. That which He creates is good, and He makes all that is made. Therefore the only reality of sin, sickness, or death is the awful fact that 'unrealities' occur real to human, erring belief, until God strips off their disguise. They are not true, because they are not that all harmony of mortal mind or body is illusion, possessing neither reality nor identity though seeming to be real and identical. If Christian Science takes away the popular gods—sin, sickness, and death—it is Christ, Truth, who destroys these evils, and so proves their nothingness. He that touches the hem of Christ's robe, and masters his mortal beliefs, animality, and hate, receives in the proof of healing—in the sweet and certain sense that God is Love." (pages 472, 341, and 500).

Announcement

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong (a Branch of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Mass.) No. 21 Macdonnell Road, close to Peak Tram Station, Sunday Service, 11.15 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 8 p.m. A Reading Room is located in the Church Building and is open every morning (except Sunday) from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 5.30 p.m. to 7 p.m. All authorized Christian Science literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

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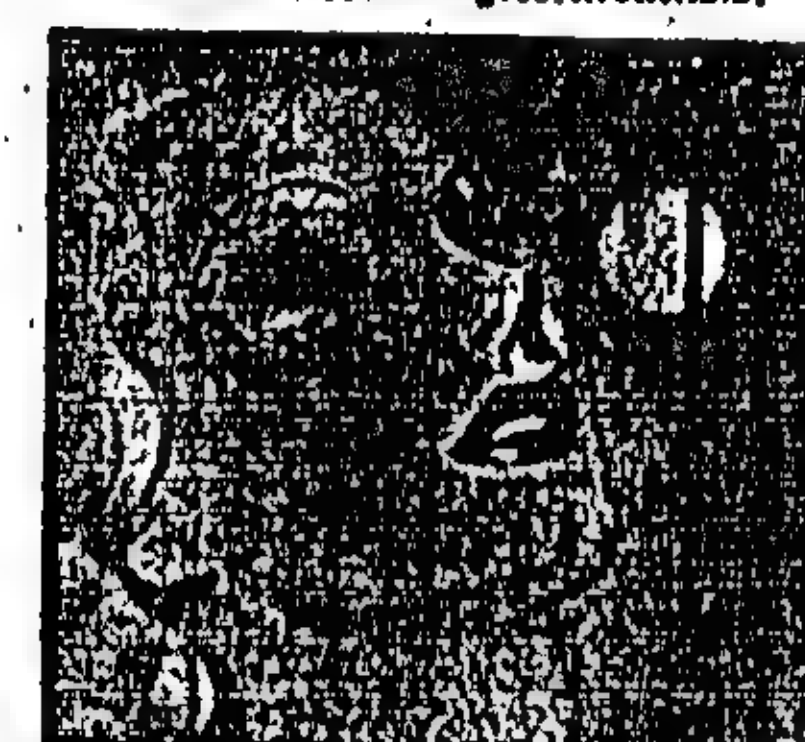
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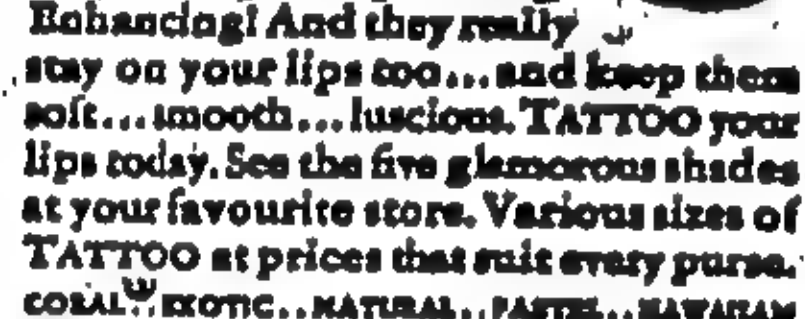
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H.K.T. 12-20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Songs by Charles Kullman (Tenor).

Thine Alone (Blossom and Herbert); When You're Away (Blossom and Herbert); Gypsy Love Song (Smith and Herbert); With Orchestra.

12.40 Boston Promenade Orchestra.

"Aldo" Ballet Suite (Verdi); Hungarian Dance No. 5 (Brahms); Hungarian Dance No. 6 (Brahms); Waltz (from "The Sleeping Beauty" Ballet, Op. 66—Tchikovsky); conch. by Arthur Fiedler.

1 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) and Nelson Eddy (Baritone).

Love's Old Sweet Song (Bingham-Molloy); Auf Wiedersehen (from "The Blue Paradise"); Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra; To-night Will Teach Me To Forget (film "The Merry Widow"); Try To Forget (film "The Cat and the Fiddle"); Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) with Orchestra; Dream Of Autumn (Joyce); Chorists' Waltz (Phelps); London Novelty Orchestra; Farewell To Dreams (Kahn-Romberg); Will You Remember? (film "Maytime"); Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) and Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra; Ah! Sweet Mystery Of Life (from "Naughty Marietta"); Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Chorus and Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Dance Music and Variety.

Vocal: A Sweet Irish Sweetheart Of Mine (film "Outside of Paradise"); Phil Regan with Orchestra; Orchestra w. Organ—"Girl of the Golden West"—Selection; Anion.

The Paramount Theatre Orchestra, London, with Al Bellington at the Organ; Humorous Sketch—"The Kids and the Char (Terri and Hensley); Part 1. Out Shopping; Part 2. Doin' a Bit of Busking; Suzette Tarri and Harry Hensley; Dance Orchestra—Tango Medley; Mantovani and His Tipica Orchestra (Vocal—Davis); Myer and Cohen (Sonja-Davis); I Must See Annie To-night (Franklin); Max Bacon with Orchestra; Dance Orchestra—Wabash Blues—Quickstep; Sweet Georgia Brown—Fox-Trot; Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins.

2.15 Close Down.

6 Dance Music by Benny Goodman and Roy Fox's Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Can't We Be Friends; Peckin'—Benny Goodman and His Orchestra; Waltz—Sympathy (film "Firefly"); Fox-Trots—It's The Natural Thing To Do (film "Double or Nothing"); The Moon Got In My Eyes (film "Double or Nothing"); Roy Fox and His Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Why Couldn't It Be Poor Little Me; Love Me, Or Leave Me; Benny Goodman and His Orchestra; Slow Fox-Trots—I Won't Tell A Soul; Two Shadows (from the film); Roy Fox and His Orchestra; Trol-Roll 'Em; Benny Goodman and His Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Always and Always (film "Mannequin"); Sweet Someone (film "Love and Hisses"); Little Old Lady; In The Mission by the Sea; Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

6.45 London Relay—"Lucky Dip."

Eleventh Edition

Presented by William MacLurg with "Listeners' Corner" edited by Adrian Thomas—Songs, anecdotes, and verses contributed by listeners and "Enter Sexton Blake" written for broadcasting by Ernest Dudley on a synopsis by Berkeley Gray and George Curzon as Sexton Blake and Brigid Lawrence as Tinker—Episode 11: The Iron Boot Music by Rae Jenkins' Lucky Dip Orchestra under the direction of Jack Clarke.

7.30 Renara, Leslie Hutchinson and Jay Wilbur and His Band.

So Many Memories (Woods); With "Mary" Taitooed on His Veins (Erard Truffard, Ivor); Jay Wilbur and His Band with Vocal Chorus; There's Something About An Old Love

Relay of Dance Orchestra From Hongkong Hotel

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(Mills-Fien-Hudson); They Say (Heyman-Mann-Weiss); Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano; Gerahwin Medley—Renara (Piano); I Love To Whistle—Fox-Trot (from "Mad about Music"); So Long, Sweetheart—Fox-Trot; Jay Wilbur and His Band with Vocal Chorus; "Sweet Adeline"—Piano Medley—Renara (Piano).

8 Local Time Signal Weather Report and Announcements.

8.02 Quenda M. Maclean at the Organ.

Babbling (Maclean); China Doll Parade (Zameceni); Hoppy Days—Selection.

8.15 London Relay—Theatreland.

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8.35 The London Palladium Orchestra.

50 Years Of Song (A Selection of Historical Song Successes; Echoes From The Piazzi (Ferrari); Kiss Me Again (Herbert); Master Melodies; Intro: Romance; Waltz; Spring Song; Invitation to the Waltz; Hungarian Dance No. 6.

8.55 London Relay—"The Adventures of Alonzo McTavish" No. 4: Carnival for Crooks.

Specialty written for broadcasting by Peter Cheyney.

Characters: Alonzo McTavish; Du-bose, Hall Porter at the Masonic Manor; Mademoiselle Fleurette Violonnet; An Embassy Servant; The Leronian Ambassador; Lieutenant Francois Dulac, Naval Attache to the Leronian Embassy.

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9.15 London Relay—"The News."

9.30 London Relay—"London Log."

9.45 London Relay—"Sports News."

9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

10.10 (a) Artist's Life, (b) Sylvia, (c) Coco l'Asicet, (d) Celito Dindo.

11.15 Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.

11.20 (a) Blues in "E" Flat, (b) Before we say Goodbye, (c) Basin Street Blues, (d) Rhythm Mad.

11.35 Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.

11.45 (a) Cowboy from Brooklyn, (b) Ohi Ma-Ma, (c) I'll see you in my dreams, (d) Good-night Ladies.

12 Midnight Close Down.

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H.K.T. 10.0-11.0 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Joseph's Church.

11.0-12.15 p.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. John's Cathedral.

12.15 Schubert—Lebenssturm, Op. 184.

Arthur Schnabel & Karl Ulrich Schnabel (Pianos).

12.28 Schubert—Quintet In A Major, Op. 114 ("Trout" Quintet).

Backhaus (Piano), Mangoot (Violin), Howard (Violoncello), Withers (Cello) and Hobday (Double-Bass).

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Studio—Recital by the Blue Danube Trio—Santo, Elkan & Gyarmati (from the Parisian Grill).

"Everybody's Sweetheart" (arr. Gyarmati); Intro: The Blue Danube Waltz (Strauss); Un peu d'amour (Silvestro); Oh Maria (Di Capua); Indiana Love Call (Friml); Rose Marie (Friml); Desert Song (Romberg); Serenade (Hickens); Csak Egy Kisny—Hungarian Song (Szentirmai); Black Eyes (Salam); La Paloma (Yradier); Call, call Vienna mine—Viennese song (Siczynsky); Under dream (Liszt); Military March; Under the lilac bough (from "Lilac-time"—Schubert); Waltz & March "White Horse Lane"—Dennally; Parlez moi d'amour (Lecroix); Heigh Ho (from "Snow White"—Churchill); Tales from the Vienna woods (Strauss); There is a tavern in the Town.

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" Act II.

M. Sheridan (Soprano); L. Man-narini (Mezzo-Soprano); Cecil (Tenor); Palal (Tenor); Weinberg (Baritone); Gelli (Bass) and Members of La Scala Orchestra; Carlo Sabajno.

2.30 Close down.

7.0 An hour with Mendelssohn including his Piano Concerto No. 1.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" Overture... Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Dr. Leo Blech; with Orchestra; Concerto No. 1 in G Minor, Op. 25... Ania Dorfmann (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Walter Goehr; O Woodlands Fair... Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Orchestra. (Song in German); Song Without Words—Sadness Of Soul (F major, Op. 63, No. 4)—Lost Illusion (F sharp minor, Op. 67, No. 2)—Ignaz Friedman (Piano)—Lost Happiness (C minor, Op. 38, No. 2)—Venelina Gondola Song No. 2 (F sharp minor, Op. 30, No. 6)—Ignaz Friedman (Piano); On Wings Of Song... both Schumann (Soprano) with Orchestra; Andante (from Sonata No. 9)—Eduard Connetz (Organ); "A Midsummer Night's Dream"—Nocturne—Sir Thomas Becham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Richard Crooks (Tenor) and Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

"Cavalleria Rusticana"—Selection (Mascani); Marek Weber & His Orchestra; Nirvana (Weatherly-Adams); Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra; "Die Fledermaus"—Selection (G); Marek Weber & His Orchestra; The Unforgotten Melody (Lockton-Wood); For Love Alone (Sevier-Thayer); Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra; Hall, Vienna—Potpourri (Dostal); Marek Weber & His Orchestra; You Will Remember Vienna (film "Viennese Nights"); I Bring A Love Song (film "Viennese Nights"); Richard Crooks (Tenor) assisted by Edna Kellogg with Orchestra; "Gelsina"—Selection (Jones); Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

8.45 London Relay—Easter Carols and Hymns.

8.55 London Relay—The DBC Midland Singers. The Strings of the BBC Midland Orchestra conducted by Edgar Morgan with W. K. Stanton at the Organ. From the Royal Institution for the Blind, Edgbaston, Birmingham.

Brighter Dawn; Come ye Faithful; Raise the strains; The King of Love my Shepherd is (English Hymnal); Hall, Easter Bright; Glory to God; Jesus! to Save Mankind; Most Glorious Lord of Life; Come, ye Faithful, Raise the Anthem; This Joyful Easterday; God be in my Aid.

9.15 London Relay—Sunday News & Newsletter.

9.35 London Relay—Sports Talk.

9.45 Choral & Organ Music.

The Heavens Are Telling ("The Creation"—Haydn)... The Choir of Temple Church, London with G. Thibben Ball at the Organ; Fantasia

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Throwback To Old West

Vinita, Okla.

A policeman stood beside a bullet-punctured automobile on a street here, waiting for its owner to return.

The owner identified himself as a Disney, Okla., city councilman. Asked about the bullet holes, he explained that he lent the car to a Disney officer "who became involved in some gunfire."

In F Minor (Mozart).... G. D. Cunningham (Organ).

10.0 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

An exchange of views between speakers from different parts of the Empire on news of the day.

10.15 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

The Rev. Father G. Byrne, S.J. Subject: God: 2: God is a spirit.

10.35 Close down.

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Reich Demands Share In Suez

CAIRO, Apr. 7. Germany has followed the example of Italy in demanding a share in the control of the Suez Canal. This demand was voiced by Baron Ruchter when, in his capacity as President, he addressed the annual gathering of the German Chambers of Commerce in Egypt. Germany, he said, has a rightful claim to a seat on the governing board of the Suez Canal Company, in view of the fact that it occupies third place in respect of the volume of shipping passing through the Canal. Hence the German claim was justified morally as well as economically. —Trans-Ocean.

British Food For Spain Distribution To Begin This Month

LONDON, Apr. 7. THE BRITISH Government has decided to send consignments of food to Madrid as a free gift to the Nationalist Government for distribution among the needy in the city. The first consignment of 500 tons will be landed in Spain on April 20, along with 25 lorries with Spanish-speaking drivers, who will drive the loads from Bilbao to Madrid. Further consignments of food will be sent if required, and the drivers and lorries will remain in Spain until outside food supplies are no longer necessary. —Reuter Special.

AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER'S DEATH

(Continued from Page 9.)

try Party, became negligible and the breach was widened by Country Party Ministers acting on their own initiative with Sir Earle's implied approval.

Thus Page's deputy, Thorby, the Defence Minister, answered criticism by Curtin, leader of the Opposition, with the remark that traitors like him should be put up against a wall and shot. For this Lyons exacted an apology. Then the Postmaster-General shut down a trade union wireless station which had commented on his administration.

Various changes had to be made in the Cabinet, notably the replacement of Thorby as a sequel to the Defence muddle. Lyons decided to have an inner Cabinet of six Ministers. The inclusion in it of Thorby, who had been given the new post of Minister for Civil Air Defence and General Works, was strongly criticised. The tension was such that in January 1939, political parties began to prepare for another general election.

Lyons had promised to hold a special session this year to discuss the abolition of State Parliaments. There are six Upper Houses and seven Lower Houses for a population of 7,000,000 and six State Governors. Country Party Premier.

Sydney, Apr. 7. Sir Earle Page, Minister of Commerce, has been appointed the new Prime Minister in succession to the late Mr. Joseph A. Lyons. He has formed a stop-gap Cabinet which is little changed from the old one. —Reuter.

Order Of Goats

Marysville, Cal. Members of the Independent Order of Goats held a meeting here for the first time in 30 years. The organization was formed 35 years ago, but with the scattering of members during the succeeding five years, no meeting was held until the present one.

AUXILIARY NURSING SERVICE

A series of lectures in Chinese on Home Nursing will be held at the Kowloon Hospital on Wednesday evenings at 8 p.m., starting on April 12.

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Baghdad, Apr. 6.—The Chamber of Deputies has unanimously approved the appointment of Abdullah to the Regency. —United Press.

New Syrian Government

Damascus, Apr. 7. A new Syrian Government has been formed, and Nassouhi Boukhar, the former War Minister, becomes the Premier. Khaleedazem has been appointed Minister for Foreign Affairs and of Justice.

The only Minister in the last Cabinet which resigned on March 14, after only three weeks in office, is Selimdjambart, Minister for National Economy. —Reuter.

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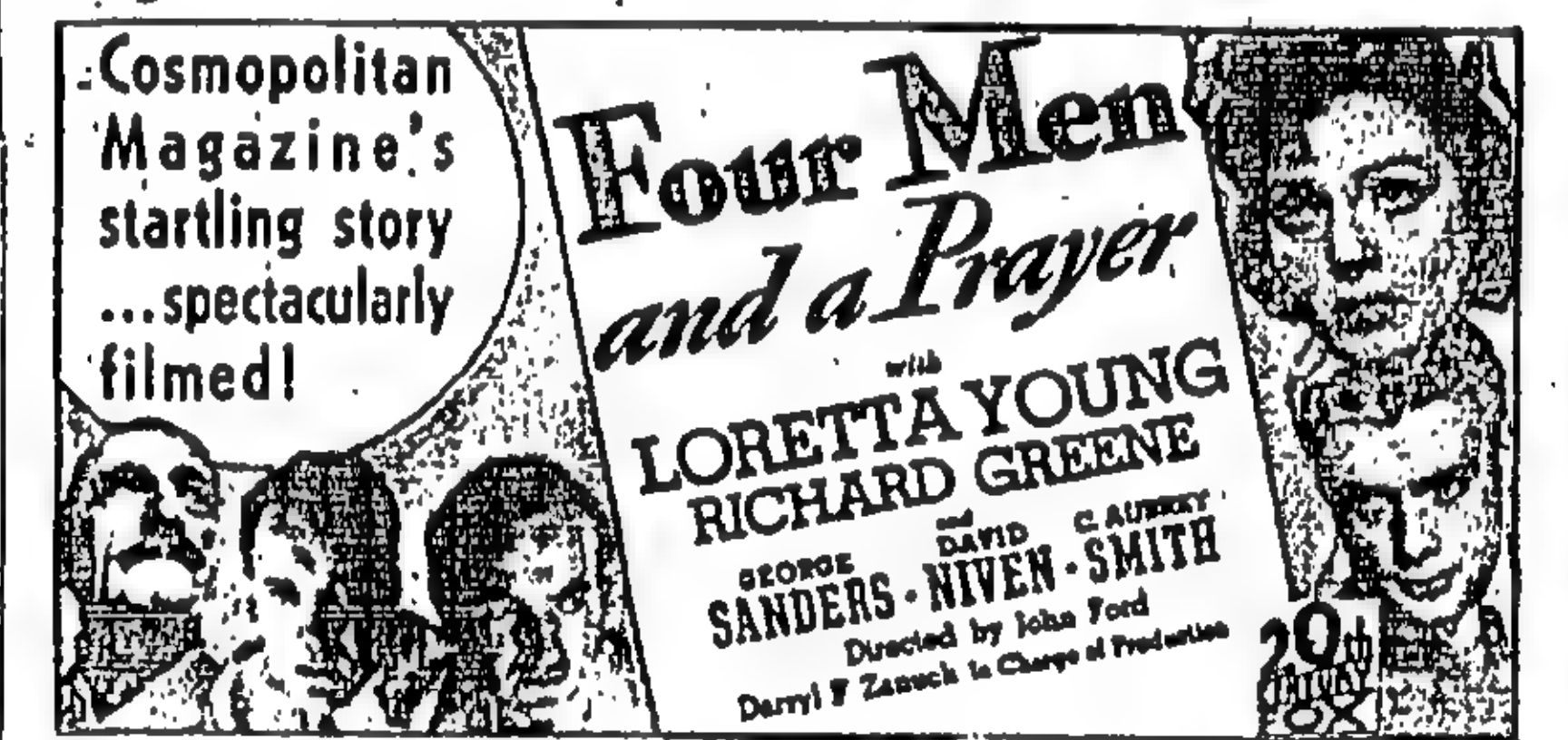
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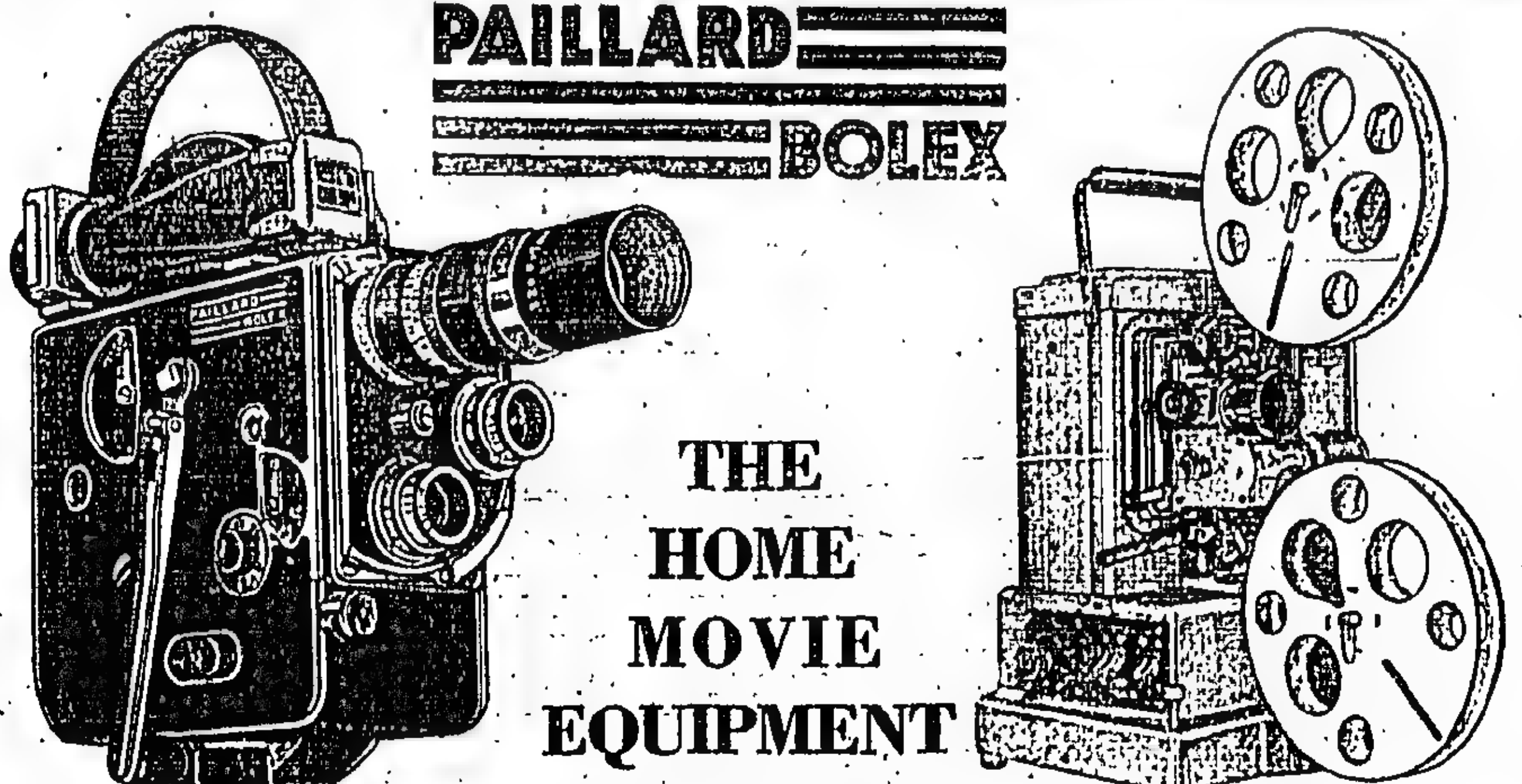
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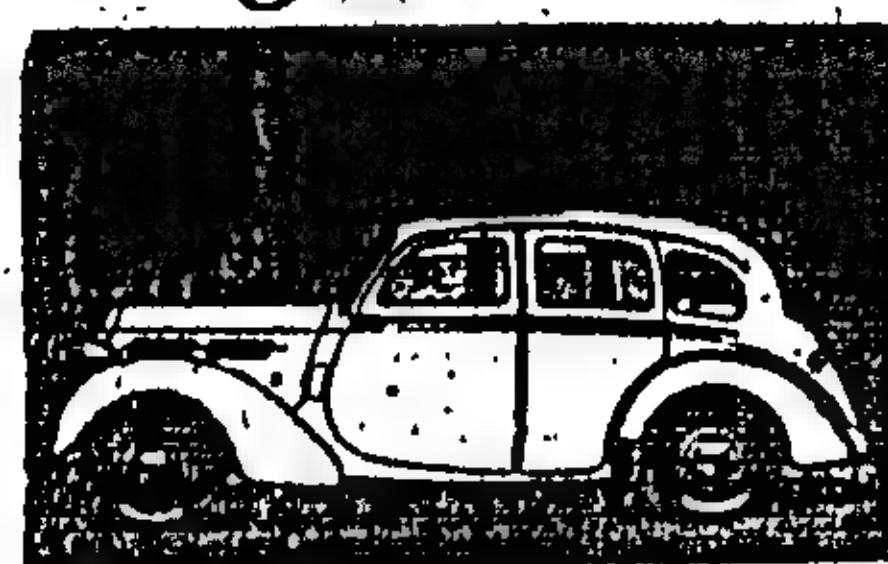
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Bucharest Refuses Appeal

ALBANIA LEFT TO FATE

AN ALBANIAN appeal to Yugo-Slavia, her neighbour, for assistance has been rejected, "Domei" reports.

Yugo-Slavia, however, is reported by "United Press" to be prepared to offer united resistance to any Italian thrust which will violate her own territory.

Italy has assured Yugo-Slavia that the military measures in Albania are of a provisional character, and that Yugo-Slav interests will be respected.

An official communique issued by the Italian Government reveals that close contact has been maintained between Italy and Yugo-Slavia.

There is some uneasiness in Belgrade, however, and the Cabinet met at noon to consider the situation created by the Italian invasion.

Border Closed

Following the Cabinet meeting, the Prince Regent, Prince Paul, proclaimed the closing of the Yugoslav-Albanian border. The Cabinet sat for two hours and, according to "Trans-Ocean," decided to maintain a passive attitude to events in the south.

Political circles in Belgrade believe that the Italian decision to invade Albania was brought about by "frictions" between King Zog and the British Government.

It is declared quite openly in Belgrade political circles, says "Trans-Ocean," that King Zog has entered into much closer relations with Britain recently and, as a result, may now have to seek asylum in England.

To Remain Neutral

A "United Press" message from Belgrade confirms that Yugo-Slavia will adhere to the Tito-Yugoslav treaty of friendship which, coincidentally was signed on Good Friday two years ago.

Yugo-Slav military authorities believe that the Italians will subdue the coastal regions of Albania within 48 hours, but consider that at least two months will elapse before they will be able to quell the peasants in the mountainous regions in south-eastern Albania.

Another "United Press" message says there are authoritative indications in Rome that King Zog will be allowed to remain on the throne, although Albania will become an integral part of Italy with King Victor Emmanuel as Emperor.

Italy's Ultimatum Rejected

The Albanian Government has rejected an Italian ultimatum, demanding the surrender of all armed forces, Albania, however, has made counter proposals which, states "United Press," the Italians have accepted as a basis for a conference. The conference may take place in Durazzo to-night.

The Albanian delegation have made contact with the Italian Commander-in-Chief, General Guzzoni, and have submitted their proposals.

Minister's Condemnation

The Albanian Minister in Washington was in conference with the U.S. Secretary of State yesterday.

He predicted that King Zog would die fighting rather than capitulate. "I will burn the Albanian Legion's archives rather than surrender them to the Italians," he declared.

"The Italian invasion of Albania is similar to a prize fighter hitting a child."

The Minister drew attention to the fact that the Queen of Albania was forced to leave her child-bed to seek safety.—United Press.

Belgrade, Apr. 7.

The Tirana radio announces that all Albanian diplomatic representatives (Continued on Page 4.)

MOBILISATION ORDERED BY SIGNOR MUSSOLINI

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI has signed a decree, requiring all Infantry Cavalry, Artillery and Engineering Reservists to join the Colours for "manoeuvres."

Three divisions, totalling 35,000 men, have been sent to Albania. In addition to the Army mobilisation, Italy has placed 190 warships on an emergency basis.

CAPITAL ABANDONED

The Albanian Government has left Tirana, the capital, and has gone to Elbasan, 25 miles southeastwards.

Great confusion prevails in the abandoned capital. "United Press" reports that Queen Geraldine of Albania has arrived at Florina, in Greece, with her day-old son, heir to the Throne of Albania. King Zog is remaining with his troops.

The Queen had not recovered from the effects of child-birth when she was forced to flee. She was so weak that she had to be carried into her hotel in Florina on a stretcher. She was immediately put to bed.

The Queen travelled 14 hours across tortuous mountains in the most primitive type of conveyance. Both mother and baby, however, are in good health.

Two of King Zog's sisters are reported to have arrived in Thessalonika.

LITTLE RESISTANCE

"United Press" quotes an official Italian communique which claims that the invaders have penetrated nine miles beyond Rurazzo. The swiftness of the Italian assault prevented any effectual resistance along the coast.

At 9 o'clock this morning, the Italians were reported to be within 15 miles of Tirana, the abandoned Albanian capital.

THE CASH SWEEPS

The following numbers were drawn at Happy Valley to-day:

RACE 1
No. 091 \$500.40
No. 084 \$322.30
No. 219 \$141.20

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each): Nos. 2443, 1222, 306, 304, 2378, 1217, 495, 240, 1212.

RACE 2
No. 062 \$1,209.80
No. 2094 \$302.30
No. 2597 \$101.40

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each): Nos. 70, 1705, 1038, 2254.

RACE 3
No. 1728 \$1,014.20
No. 722 \$401.20
No. 2598 \$230.60

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each): Nos. 353, 3472, 12, 1222.

RACE 4
No. 2048 \$1,605.40
No. 1547 \$404.40
No. 373 \$242.20

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each): Nos. 1566, 3472, 12, 1222.

RACE 5
No. 1252 \$1,731.80
No. 400 \$434.80
No. 1738 \$261.40

Unplaced ponies (\$50 each): Nos. 2701, 231, 1307, 1220, 2591, 1214.

Girl Takes Taxi 160 Miles

A 15-year-old Sheffield girl stole £66 and spent the money this way:—

£38 10s. at a gown shop.

£25 10s. on a taxi to London (160 miles).

£20 while spending three days in a London hotel.

£2 for spectacles which she did not need.

£12s. 6d. on having her hair waved.

The girl stole the money from a drawer at her employer's house.

The police said the girl had been bound over to appear as a witness in a case at Leeds Assizes.

She declined appearing in the court and had stolen the money so she could run away.

At Sheffield Juvenile Court, recently, the girl was placed on probation.

U.S. MAY DENOUNCE INVADERS

WASHINGTON, Apr. 7.
MR. CORDELL HULL held a lengthy telephone conversation with President Roosevelt to-day.

Well-informed quarters indicated that the United States may formally denounce the Italian invasion of Albania.

The denunciation will be made against a violation of the Kellogg pact, probably on Saturday when, it is understood, the United States is planning to refuse to recognise the legality of any protectorate which Rome might proclaim.

Officials privately state that because the United States have relatively small interests in Albania, they are likely to protest less vigorously than in the case of Czechoslovakia.

Congressional repercussions are slow in developing among the majority.

A spokesman of the Foreign Affairs Committee minimised the immediate significance of the invasion, and stressed the fact that for years Italy has established itself politically and economically in Albania.

Senator Borah expressed the opinion that the Italian invasion is not likely to provoke a general European war.—United Press.

Reich Demands Share In Suez

CAIRO, Apr. 7.
Germany has followed the example of Italy in demanding a share in the control of the Suez Canal.

This demand was voiced by Baron Richter when, in his capacity as President, he addressed the annual gathering of the German Chambers of Commerce in Egypt.

Germany, he said, has a rightful claim to a seat on the Governing Board of the Suez Canal Company, in view of the fact that it occupies a third place in respect of the volume of shipping passing through the Canal. Hence the German claim was justified morally as well as economically.—Trans-Ocean.

Auxiliary Nursing Service

A series of lectures in Chinese on Home Nursing will be held at the Kowloon Hospital on Wednesday evenings at 6 p.m. starting on April 12.

The Lecturer is Dr. (Miss) S. Y. Cheng.

The following trained nurses have kindly consented to demonstrate practical nursing:—

Mrs. V. C. Perry, Miss Esther Chan, Mrs. W. C. Lee.

Baghdad, Apr. 6.—The Chamber of Deputies has unanimously approved the appointment of Abdullah to the Regency.—United Press.

Cakes, ale and shilling pieces are being distributed after the preaching of the Jankyn Smyth memorial sermon at St. Mary's church at Dury St. Edmunds. The sermon has been preached without a break for 400 years in memory of a wealthy man who founded charities in the town in the 16th century.

London.

Mr. A. G. W. Tickle has been appointed Director of Public Works.

BRITISH PROTEST

ROME, Apr. 8.
IT IS officially announced that the British Ambassador, Lord Perth, handed a British protest to the Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, at 12.30 p.m., regarding Italian military action against Albania.—Domei.

Italian Excuses For Drive "Call Of Patriotic Albanians"

ROME, Apr. 7.
SIGNOR GAYDA, writing in the "Giornale d'Italia," declares that a new and important event is being accomplished in the Near East and Europe.

"At the call of patriotic Albanians, who are unable further to suffer misgovernment by their King, and obliged by necessity of defending the life and land of Italians in Albania, who were openly threatened by obscure armed bands, Italy to-day has landed, without encountering any resistance, her troops, who are pushing forward to various vital points of the land," he writes.

Asked For Troops

"During the past few days King Zog asked the Italian Government for fresh help and protection, and for the despatch of troops to certain points in Albania.

"At the last hour the Italian Government discovered that her forces were to be required only in the case of a wild attempt by King Zog against Yugo-Slavia and towards Kosovo, with the evident object of disturbing the tranquil and cordial relations between Italy and Yugo-Slavia.

Refusal To Play

"Italian refusal to play this game provoked the displeasure of King Zog and his followers, and this is shown in the provocation and significant acts of violence against Italians residing in Albania.

"The Italian Government called King Zog's attention to his responsibility.

"The King evaded the issue by offering new and suspicious intrigues. By her intervention, Italy has restored to Albania peace and order, and the liberty of the civil workers, which were being seriously compromised.

"This decision cannot alarm neighbouring States, with whom only friendly collaboration and the assurance of Balkan and European peace is desired.—Reuter.

"Cat" For Arab Boy Condemned

LONDON, Apr. 7.
THE SENTENCE on an Arab boy which included a prison term and the "cat", was again raised in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary for the Dominions, stating that the Commanding Officer had reduced the sentence to 12 strokes and had directed the imprisonment sentence to be served in a reformatory.

Mr. MacDonald said he was not in a position to intervene, but he explained that it was a policy of the Government to encourage youths under 18 to carry lethal weapons with intent to kill, because if they were caught, they could not be sentenced to death.—Reuter.

Special

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DUCE SHATTERS HOPES OF PEACE

German Troop Movements Reported From Berlin

THE MOBILISATION of Italian Reservists and the Italian Navy has awakened fears of a spread in the conflict in Europe.

In addition to the Italian Mobilisation, "United Press" reports large troop movements in the south-western sector of Germany.

Three columns, some of which were mechanised units, passed through Berlin. One column required nearly an hour to pass a given spot.

A spokesman of the Propaganda Ministry said: "You may rest assured that there is no sinister purpose."

"It might either be local movements or units returning from Bohemia and Moravia."

French Fear Of War

France is viewing the future morbidly, according to "Domei."

The feeling that a war in Europe is inevitable has been strengthened by the Italian invasion of Albania. Informed quarters believe that France is now convinced that the Italian move threatens the balance of power in the Mediterranean Sea and the Balkan Peninsula.

Other countries are also viewing the situation uneasily.

"Dutch Precautions"

The Netherlands Government this morning announced military measures of a precautionary nature in view of to-day's events.

All furlough has been cancelled and Reservists have been advised that they may be called to the colours.

"United Press" reports that frontier troops and coastal defence garrisons have been ordered to remain on duty without leave.

"Trans-Ocean" states that the Premier, Dr. Colijn, and the Defence Minister, M. van Dijk, have cancelled a motor trip and have returned to The Hague.

Scenes reminiscent of war-time mobilisation were witnessed in London yesterday, as office boys, clerks, shop assistants and bricklayers, looking awkward in their new Territorial uniforms, entrained for camp.

They will undergo four days' intensive training, states "United Press."

One of the largest gatherings of Territorials will be at Tidworth, where the Queen Victoria Rifle Rangers will be the guests of the 2nd Bn.

The King's Royal Rifles, and the 1st Bn., The Rifle Brigade, will be hosts to the Tower Hamlets Rifles.

Swiss Precautions

The Federal Council of the Swiss National Assembly has introduced a bill providing for the expenditure of a further 100,000,000 francs for rearmament and defence.

25,000,000 francs will be spent for all categories of the armistice and for reinforcement of the air force and anti-aircraft defence; 63,000,000 francs for the construction of a second line of defence and the remainder for equipment to safeguard the railways and telephones and for the construction of new military buildings and other works.—United Press.

Bucharest Activity

"Reuter" states that the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, who had a three-hour conversation this afternoon with the Prime Minister, Dr. Calinescu, is leaving to-night for Istanbul.

It is regarded as certain that he will meet Mr. Saragolju, the Turkish Foreign Minister, and it is believed that the bearing of the fighting in Albania on the Balkan situation will be discussed.

Spain Rumours

The Burgos Government has categorically denied that Italian troops have arrived at Cadiz.

Gas Masks For U.S. Officials

"United Press" reports that the U.S. Department of State has sent 1,550 army gas masks to the American (Continued on Page 4.)

Ship Radio Declared Obsolete

Hongkong Owners Must Make Changes

HUNDREDS of ships trading to and from Hongkong, including many large passenger liners, will be required to instal new radio installation before the end of the current year, according to an announcement in this morning's "Government Gazette."

As from December 31, the use of the old-fashioned spark transmitter has been forbidden.

Ship-owners have been advised that vessels employing this type of transmitter utilising power in excess of 3 kilowatt should change their installation before the end of the year, or take steps to have the (Continued on Page 4.)

LATEST

ZOG TO ABDICATE?

Reported Peace Terms Reached In Albania

Rome, Apr. 8.

It is reported that a new agreement for peace has been concluded between Italy and Albania on the basis of King Zog's proposals.

The report says that under the new agreement, King Zog I will abdicate and Albania will become a complete protectorate of Italy.

Italian Government quarters neither confirm nor deny the report.—Domei.

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Further Late News

MUSSOLINI POURS TROOPS ACROSS ADRIATIC SEA FOR NEW CONQUEST

Naval, Aerial Bombardments Destroy Durazzo & Sangiovanni di Medua: Great Armada Of Warplanes Used In War Over Country: Zog's Proposals



OCCUPATION WILL BE COMPLETED DURING WEEK-END, DUCE SAYS

TIRANA, Apr. 7.

ITALIAN AIR, land and naval forces are landing at all ports in Albania.

Their total strength is estimated at 30,000.

Meanwhile, an Albanian force estimated at 12,000, composed mostly of farmers and workmen, is putting up a resistance.

The Albanians first drove the Italians from the city of Durazzo, but the Italians continued to pour in, and later started to attack cities in the interior.

Cities Destroyed

Official messages described the coastal fighting as being so severe that part of Durazzo and Valona were destroyed by aerial bombardment.

Later advices say that the Albanian resistance was overcome and the Italians are marching to the interior.

The Italian warships shelled Durazzo and Valona, inflicting heavy casualties among the population.

Even boys with rocks are reported to be harassing the Italians en route to Tirana where the Fascist bombers are repeatedly surveying.

VIOLATION OF TREATIES

King Zog sent messages to the Albanian diplomats abroad, including Washington, advising them of the Italian attack and announcing that the people of Albania "will defend Albania at all costs."

It is reported that one of King Zog's sisters is planning to recruit a women's amazon battalion.

It is emphasised that the invasion is a violation of all treaties and that Albania still continues to offer to negotiate for a settlement.

The Albanian Prime Minister to-day broadcast a message as an "open message to Mussolini" demanding the cessation of hostilities. He described the invasion as "barbaric." King Zog has appealed to Belgrade and other capitals for support.—United Press.

Strange Rites In Luzon

MANILA, Apr. 7.

THE FILIPINO "Flagellantes" of the remote villages of Luzon, performed their annual Good Friday rites of flagellation, until their trousers were bloodstained, emulating Christ's sacrifice on Calvary.

The rites are not encouraged by the modern Catholic Church and are gradually disappearing. A certain number of "Los Hermanos Penitentes," however, still carry out the rites as a consequence of their vows. Meanwhile, Manila's banks and shops were closed all day while thousands of the devout went to the churches to hear the annual three-hour sermons on "Las Siete Palabras." (Christ's last seven words).—United Press.

Call-Over For Derby

London, Apr. 7.

The following is the latest call-over for the Derby:

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—Reuter.

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STRONG RESISTANCE

LONDON, Apr. 7.

THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND Italian troops landed on the Albanian coast this morning, and encountered strong resistance at Durazzo and Sangiovanni di Medua.

Meanwhile the Tirana short-wave station, continually broadcasting in five languages, appeals to the Albanians to unite and to fight to the last drop of blood.

A communique issued at the Italian Embassy in London late this afternoon stated that Italian troops were now proceeding into the interior, and were meeting slight resistance from irregular bands, but that the Albanian army were offering no resistance in any sector.

Italian planes were dropping hundreds of thousands of leaflets stating that Italian troops would be withdrawn as soon as the disturbances which had occurred during the past few days had disappeared.

The communique adds: "No bombs have been dropped on the civil population."

ALBANIAN RESISTANCE

The statement regarding the Albanian army is not borne out in a semi-official statement issued earlier by the Albanian press bureau in Tirana, which declared that "no Italian soldiers had been able to remain on our territory owing to the ferocious resistance of the troops and Albanian people, whose morale remains excellent in spite of the inequality of the opposing forces."—Reuter.

CROSSED ADRIATIC

ROME, Apr. 7.

Italian military and naval action against Albania started this morning.

A statement issued by the official agency reveals that Italian troops left Brindisi and Bari direct for Albania yesterday evening.

The first naval squadron, which from dawn yesterday had been cruising along the Albanian coast from Santi Quaranta to Sangiovanni di Medua, also participated, while an aerial squadron was also mobilised.

Italian warships evacuated from Durazzo and Valona to Italy "several hundreds of our co-nationals, among whom were women and children," adds the communication, which, dealing with the events leading up to these developments says:

THREE DIVISIONS USED

"During the past few days, and in the course of conversations between the Italian Government and King Zog for the conclusion of a new agreement, there occurred at Tirana and elsewhere threatening demonstrations of groups (Continued on Page 3.)

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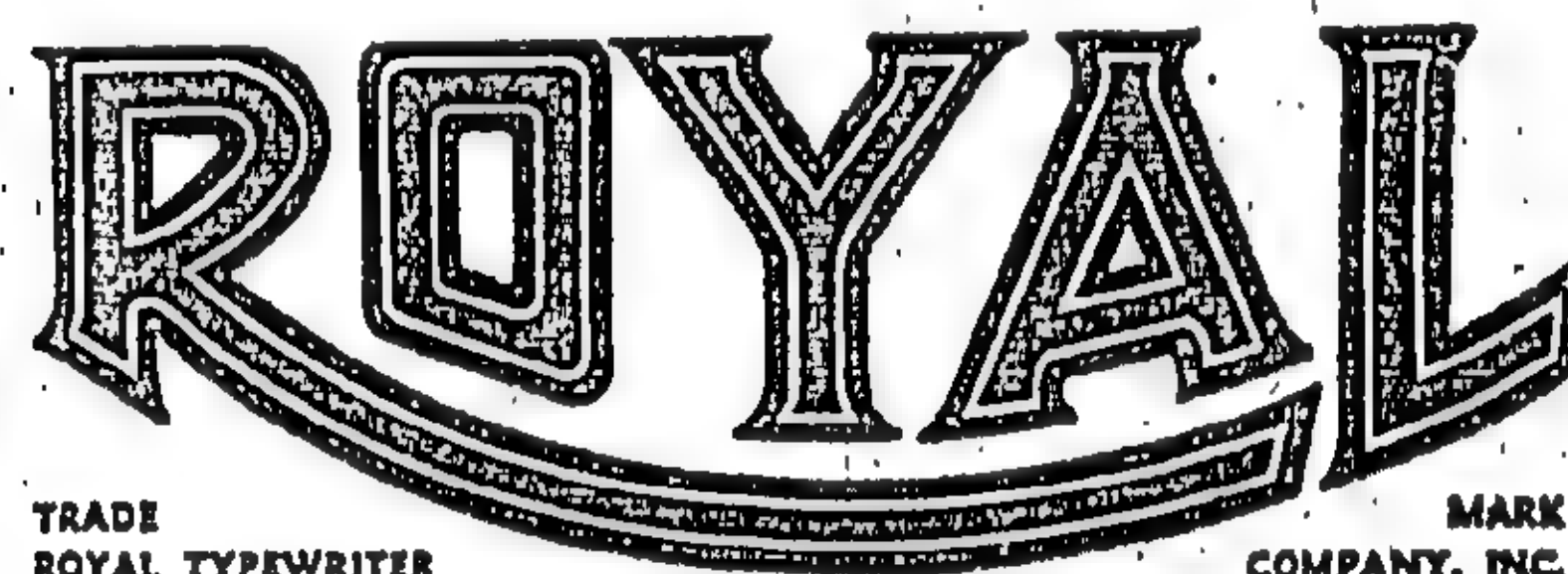
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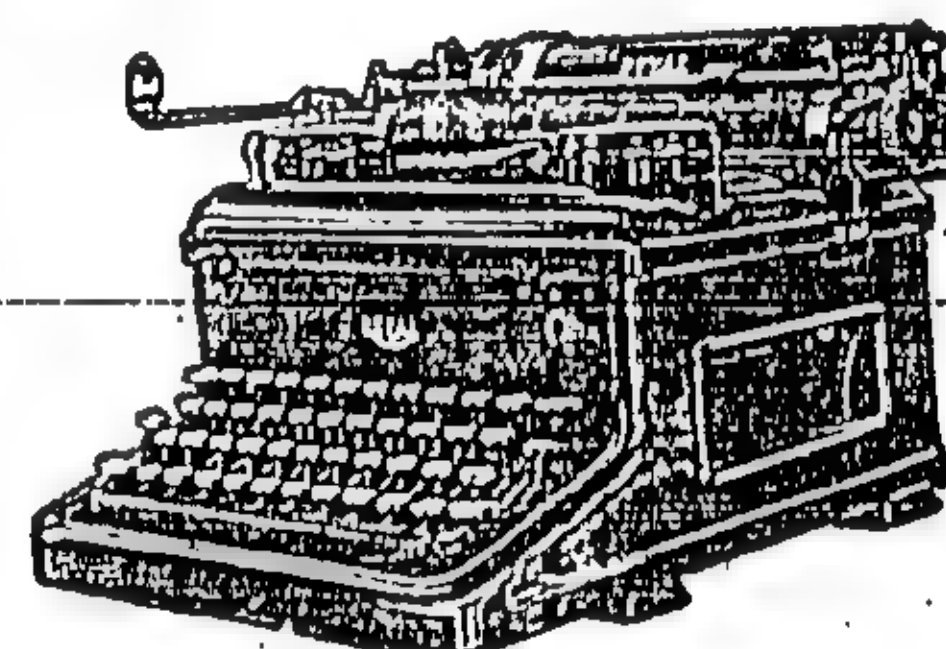
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EARLY REPORTS ON THE WAR IN ALBANIA—Continued From Page Two

ITALIAN WARSHIPS AND PLANES
BOMBARD ALBANIAN SEAPORTSA Look Through
The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

April 8, 1889.
In no direction has European enterprise in Hongkong been more steadily active during the last few years than in the erection of residences at the Peak. Ten years ago there certainly were not more than half-a-dozen houses on all the many summits of the island, and some of those were of a very temporary character.

The chief drawback was not so much the "impenetrable fog" which cloths the hill-tops as the want of a proper mode of ascent, and this want was supplied when Mr. Findlay Smith, with his funicular railway, decided that the private chair-coolies must go. The completion of the Tramway gave a considerable impetus to building operations up in cloudland, and by the end of last year there were nearly sixty houses occupied. Between thirty and forty more are in course of construction, ranging from the practically complete building to the bare foundations.

The sheltered hollow just above the Ladies Recreation Ground is a very favourite location. The Hon. B. Layton has almost finished an splendid residence, with tennis-courts, etc., attached; the trustees of the late Mr. W. H. Breckenridge are erecting a terrace of ten houses; Mr. L. Posenacker has completed a fine residence, adjoining one which is being prepared for Mr. G. S. Cotton. The Richmond Terrace Building Company have three houses partially completed. Mr. S. G. Bird is also providing one for himself, and several more will probably soon be begun by the Hon. C. P. Chater. Gas has already been carried up to the highest house in the group, and water-temporarily obtained from a spring—will be pumped up by the Electric Light Co. by the end of the year.

25 YEARS AGO

April 8, 1914.
Mr. Gordon Selfridge has bought for the sum of £250,000 and £100,000 alterations, and will take over the staff of T. Lloyd and Co., drapers.

It is expected that the new police courts which are being built on the site of the old ones, will be completed by about October of this year.

10 YEARS AGO

April 8, 1929.
In spite of the rainfall last week-end there is no appreciable improvement in the state of Hongkong's reservoirs, and we were officially informed this morning that they contain supplies only sufficient for 70 days.

5 YEARS AGO

April 8, 1934.
The newly erected Sikh Temple at Gap Road was officially opened by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe on Saturday afternoon in the presence of a large number of local Sikh residents.

PAMPHLETS THREATEN DEFENDERS
WITH MOST "ATROCIOUS" REPRISALS

of armed hands who placed in grave peril the personal safety of Italian residents in Albania."

Three Italian divisions, numbering some 35,000 men, are believed to be participating in the invasion of Albania, which, with a standing army of about 12,000 men is hardly in a position to resist.

MARCH INTO INTERIOR

Reporting the landing of Italian troops at Valona, Durazzo, and Sangiovanni di Medua at dawn, the semi-official Italian agency says there was "no reaction worthy of special mention." It is further stated that Italian troops had begun to march towards the interior.

Four hundred planes participating in the invasion were ordered not to attack the inhabited centres, and to spare the population.—*Reuter*.

PORTS BOMBARDED

TIRANA, Apr. 7.

During the night, both the ports of Valona and Durazzo were subjected to a preliminary bombardment to cover the landing troops, but those which landed on the beach at Durazzo were twice driven back to the sea by Albanian forces, and the shelling of Durazzo continued.

After the Italians had landed at Port Valona, street fighting took place between the Italian troops and Albanian gendarmes, soldiers, and volunteers.

"ATROCIOUS" REPRISALS

Throughout the day Italian bomber squadrons flew over Albanian territory, dropping pamphlets announcing the disembarkation of Italian troops, and warning the populace not to resist, under the threat of "atrocious military measures."

The pamphlets called on the people to surrender to the Italian King-Emperor.

The semi-official agency reports heavy fighting in the town of Asingjini and states that "blood is flowing in the streets."

A Cabinet meeting is being held at the royal palace this morning. At a meeting last night the Chamber and Government unanimously rejected the Italian ultimatum.

However, a later Tirana report says that Italy has accepted Albania's counter proposals, and an Albanian delegation is going to Durazzo to arrange for the cessation of hostilities.

ITALIANS REPELLED

Other messages from Tirana report simultaneous Italian landings being attempted at Valona, Durazzo, Cape Durazzo and Sangiovanni di Medua between 5.30 a.m. and 6 a.m.

According to a "Reuter" correspondent the landings were repelled after fierce fighting.

The morale of the Albanian troops and civil population is reported to be excellent.

"Reuter's" correspondent in Tirana says that King Zog, the Government and the diplomatic corps are all there. The Italian Minister and his staff at the Legation are also here and it is supposed that negotiations between the governments have broken off.—*Reuter*.

REINFORCEMENTS

It has been revealed that Mussolini has sent additional troops, warships and fighting planes to Albania in view of King Zog's objections to Albania being made an Italian protectorate.

All Albanian ports are to be occupied by noon to-day, Tirana, probably this afternoon, and the country to be completely occupied within 48 hours.

According to the first private message the first detachments of Italian troops landed without resistance at Port Valona. It has been learned that Rome intends to handle the Albanian foreign policy in the future and also that Italy will assume full responsibility for the defence of Albanian territory.

The occupation is expected to be exceptionally speedy since it is known that most of the landing parties are motorised units. Troops are being rushed to all the outlying towns in the mountainous Albanian districts.

According to private dispatches the advance is being followed in the air by 79 tri-motored bombers which were used in the Spanish war.

Estimates of the number of troops in Albania range between forty and sixty thousand.—*United Press*.

Zog's Baby Son
Goes To Greece

Tirana, Apr. 7.

Italy invaded Albania with tanks, infantry and warplanes against King Zog's fiercely resisting but hopelessly outnumbered soldiers.

There was severe fighting at the coastal towns of Durazzo, Santi Quarenta and Valona.

The historically famous "Sons of the Eagle" rushed from the fields and workshops to repulse the first four attacks. Durazzo is officially reported to have given way only at a high cost to the Fascists, when the invaders used vast land, sea and air forces.

Aerial bombardment, naval artillery and machine guns, marked the Italian offensive.

King Zog made a radio broadcast which brought peasants and mountaineers hurrying to the front. The King called on the people to defend their independence.

It is reported that Queen Geraldine and her baby son have been sent to Greece.—*United Press*.

Official Communique

Rome, Apr. 7.

An official communique states that at 11.45 a.m. the Italian troops who landed at Durazzo, the chief port of Albania, have started to march to the interior.

The communique says: "The Albanian people remained tranquil." The Albanian flag was lowered from the Legation here to-day at 11.30 a.m.; the Government were believed to have feared demonstrations by Albanian students.

They accordingly telephoned to the Legation requesting that the flag, which was flying for the birth of the Albanian heir to the throne, be lowered immediately.

It was also officially stated that the Italian landing met with no resistance worthy of particular mention, except at Durazzo on the part of bands which, however, was immediately quashed.

The communique adds: "Four hundred Italian warplanes patrolling the skies over Albania were ordered not to bomb populated centres."

"During the past ten days while conversations have been in progress between King Zog and the Italian Government regarding the conclusion of a closer accord, threatening demonstrations have occurred in Tirana and elsewhere headed by bands which seriously endangered the Italians residing in Albania."

"On Thursday, April 6, our ships brought back to the fatherland several hundred of our fellow citizens from Durazzo and Valona, including women and children. Last night detachments of Italian troops from Brindisi were dispatched to Bari and at the same time the first naval squadron was dispatched and the following morning was patrolling the Albanian coast," says the communique in part.—*United Press*.

170 Warships

Belgrade, Apr. 7.

There are more than 170 Italian warships off the Albanian coast, according to an Albanian radio broadcast picked up here.

Of these, 75 are standing off Santi Quarenta, 40 off Valona, 33 off Durazzo, 25 off Sangiovanni di Medua, and about ten off Bisfal.

According to the same source, Durazzo has been shelled four times, and Sangiovanni di Medua has been completely destroyed.

ROME, Apr. 7.

The Italian expeditionary force is estimated to number 100,000 by the Albanian radio station.

Tirana radio broadcast an appeal to the "generous French people" not to allow the disappearance of a small nation of barely 1,000,000 people.—*Reuter*.

Cities Occupied

Rome, Apr. 7.

An official communique issued here late this afternoon states that the cities of Santi Quarenta, Valona, Durazzo, and Sangiovanni di Medua are completely occupied.

A mission of plenipotentiaries sent by King Zog conferred with General Guzzoni, and submitted proposals from King Zog. These have been transmitted to Rome.

A London report states that the Albanian Legation announced at 1.30 p.m. that after a stiff resistance by the Albanian forces, Shengjin, Durazzo, Valona and Santi Quarenta had fallen to the aggressors.

The gendarmes and civilian population would continue to defend their country inch by inch.—*Reuter*.

Beigrade, Apr. 6.
Official quarters here to-day stated that the Italian Government has notified the Jugo-Slav Government that Italy would "take measures to protect her interests in Albania owing to the uncertainty prevailing in Albania and the difference existing between Italy and Albania."

The Jugo-Slav Prime Minister to-day summoned a Cabinet meeting at 11 a.m., after both he and the Foreign Minister and the War Minister had been summoned to the Palace last night for a conference with Prince Paul.

While it is intended to establish a protectorate in Albania, some quarters said Jugo-Slavia will take no military measures to prevent the Italian occupation of Albania.

Official quarters, however, said Jugo-Slavia would "take measures to safeguard her interests in North Albania" without indicating the nature of such measures.

Official sources to-day told the United Press that according to information received by the Jugo-Slav Government, the present negotiations between Italy and Albania at Tirana deal with economic and financial demands by Italy which amount to little more than the recent alleged demands on Rumania by Germany. Apart from that, they said, Italy will proclaim a protectorate.—*United Press*.

Italian Planes
Over Tirana

Tirana, Apr. 7.

Demonstrations against possible Italian action in Albania continued all day on Thursday.

The Albanian Parliament, during its session on Thursday, declared (Continued on Page 4.)

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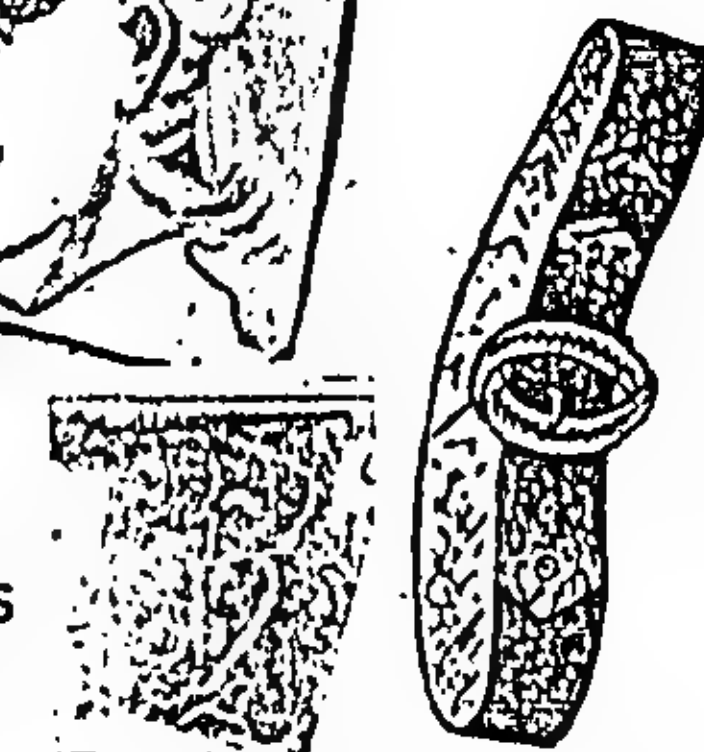
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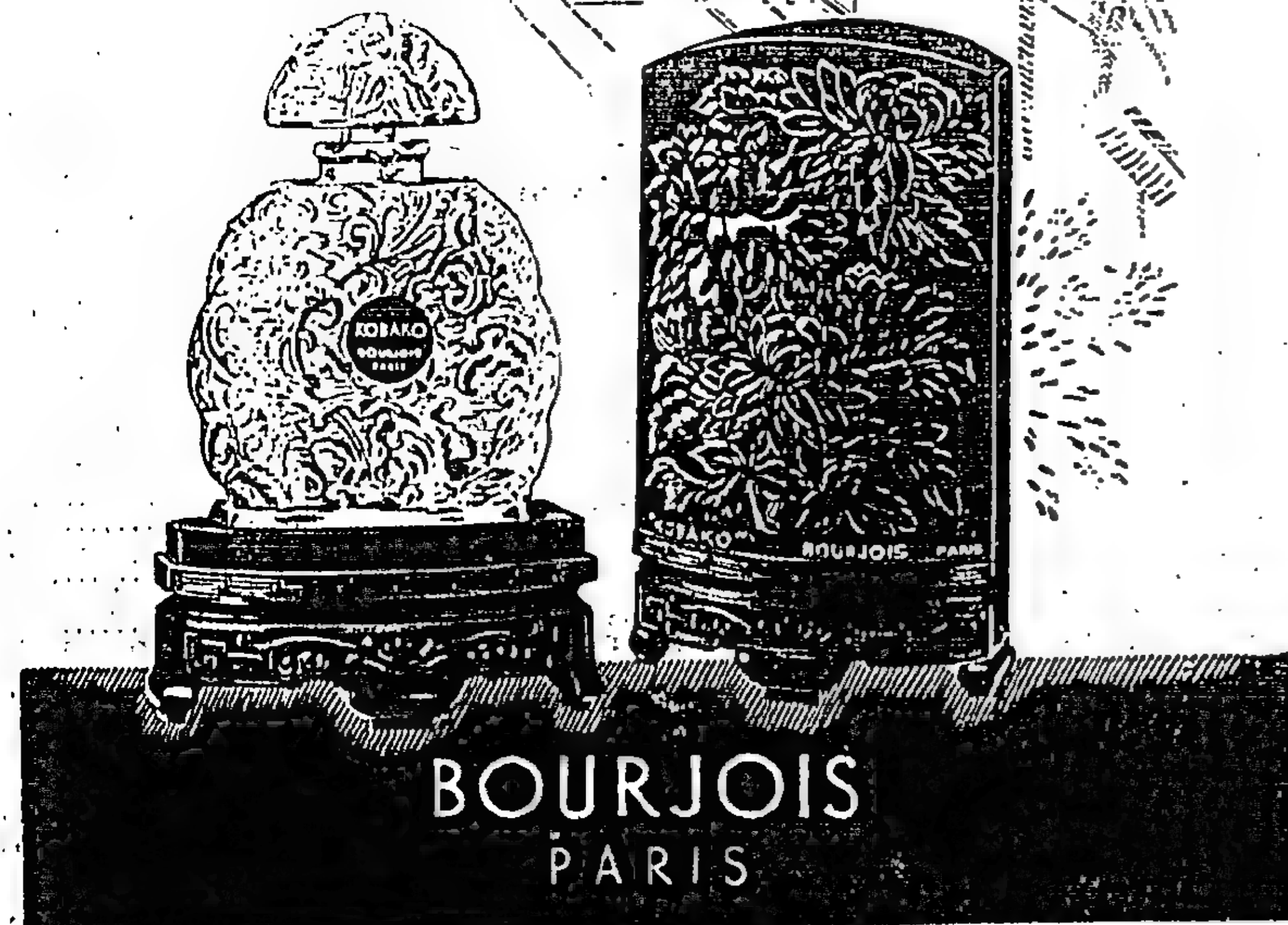
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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange weekly report issued at 4 p.m. Thursday says:

Trading during the short week preceding the Easter holidays has been overshadowed by the daily fluctuating political news, resulting in operators being content to remain inactive. Apart from a fairly big turnover in both of the Government Loans at 1 1/2% premium for the 4 1/2% issue, and 1/4% premium for the 3 1/2% issue, there has been business recorded in Hongkong Banks from \$1,400 down to \$1,380, Unions from \$497 1/2 to \$490, Canton Insurance at \$222, Wharves at \$105, Lands at \$34, Trams from \$10 1/2 to \$10 3/5, China Lights at \$8.30 and \$8.35, Electric down to \$55 3/4, Hotels at \$5.55, Star Ferries at \$5 1/2, Watsons at \$7 3/4, H.K. Pines at \$1 1/2, Providents at \$4.60 and Entertainments at \$6.55.

The tone of the market at the close is steady, there being enquiries at the closing quotations, and any favourable political news would possibly be promptly followed by an all-round improvement in prices.

Business done during the week:

Hongkong Bank	\$222
Union Insurance	\$405, \$450, \$497 1/2, \$490
Douglases	\$100
Wharves	\$105
Docks	\$10
Providents	\$4 1/2
Hotels	\$5.55, \$5.50, \$5.45, \$5, \$5.35
Lands	\$34
Chinese Estates	\$102
Tramways	\$10.20, \$10.10, \$10.50, \$10.35
Star Ferries	\$5 1/2
China Lights (Old)	\$8.30
China Lights (New)	\$8.35
Dairy Farms ex rights	\$2 1/2
Dairy Farms	\$15.70, \$15.50
Watsons	\$7 3/4
Govt. 4 1/2% Loan 4 1/2% prem.	
Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 1 1/2% prem.	
Changes closing quotations:	

Buyers

Union Insurance	\$400
H.K. Docks	\$10
H.K. Pines	\$1 1/2
H.K. Trams	\$10 1/2
China Lights (Old)	\$8.30
China Lights (New)	\$8.35
Canton Ins.	\$222
Wm. Dowdell	\$50
Entertainments	\$6 1/2
Govt. 4 1/2% Loan 4 1/2% prem.	
Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 1 1/2% prem.	
Marmans (H.K.)	\$7 1/2

Sellers

H.K. Trams	\$10 1/2
H.K. Electric	\$3 1/2
Hongkong Bank	\$220
Union Insurance	\$400
H.K. Fire Insurance	\$103
H.K. Wharves	\$105
Providents	\$4.60
H.K. Trams	\$10.35
China Lights (Old)	\$8.30
H.K. Electric	\$3 1/2
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Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 1 1/2% prem.	
Marmans (H.K.)	\$7 1/2

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Thirty-fourth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Thursday, the 13th April, 1939, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 29th March to 13th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

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General Managers, Hongkong, 23rd March, 1939.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Third Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Head Office, No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, April 22nd, 1939, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

The Transfer Register will be closed from April 10th to 22nd, 1939 inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

M. Y. TANG,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 1, 1939.

More Balloon Barrages

Thirty-seven balloon barrage squadrons, in addition to London's ten, are to be formed in the provinces to protect cities and industrial areas from air attack.

To man them nearly 400 officers and 22,000 recruits will be needed. There are to be 14 balloon centres in the provinces.

Two will be in the Birmingham area with seven squadrons, and the rest at Derby, one squadron; Liverpool, three squadrons; Warrington, two; Manchester three; Bristol three; Farnham four; Plymouth one; Cardiff one; Newcastle three; Sheffield three; Hull three, and Glasgow three squadrons.

IN STORAGE

London's ten squadrons are numbered from 001 to 010. The provincial squadrons will be numbered from 011 to 047. When fully manned and equipped they will comprise many thousands of balloons.

Balloons, now being made in great numbers, are stored at the barrage training centre at Cardington and will be issued to the provincial squadrons as required, together with mobile winches and other equipment. Each balloon is completely mobile. The motor-trolley which carries the balloon, crew, tools and implements, and draws a trailer carrying the gas cylinders for inflating.

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Mussolini Sends Reinforcements Across Adriatic To Albania

that the Italian demands were unacceptable. The appearance during the afternoon of twenty-nine Italian aeroplanes over the capital caused a great demonstration by the populace in front of the Parliament buildings, the Royal Palace and the foreign Legations.

The demonstrators shouted that the "Italian troops will occupy the country only over our dead bodies." Some 26,000 soldiers were mobilised last night.—Reuter.

Mussolini's Airplane Trip

ROME, Apr. 6. Signor Mussolini to-day took a sudden airplane trip, piloting himself in a tri-motored bombing plane. He inspected the airfield at Jesi which is 19 miles west of the Adriatic port of Ancona and visited the town of Jesi, after which he flew back to Rome.

It is worthy of note that Ancona is 90 miles west of the Jugo-Slav coast. Meanwhile the Italian Under Secretary for War, the Chief of the Army General Staff, and the Chief of the High Command of the German armed forces are continuing their conference at Innsbruck.—United Press.

Britain Won't Interfere

LONDON, Apr. 6. It has been authoritatively stated that Britain will refrain from any attempt to restrain or frustrate the Italian occupation of Albania. It is doubted whether Britain's action will go beyond remonstrances to Italy on the grounds that the occupation of Albania violates the Anglo-Italian agreement.

British authorities have discounted the rumours that Italian moves in Albania might be a prelude to further action based on Libya or even a threat to the Dardanelles.

The news that Jugo-Slavia will resist from armed resistance against the Italian occupation of Albania excludes the question of Franco-Italian support for Jugo-Slavia in this instance.

British commentators recall that Albania has been a fact within the Italian sphere of influence since soon after the World War.

The establishment of an open Italian protectorate in Albania would be partially plain annexation which would cause Britain to re-examine its strategic implication in the Mediterranean and British interests in the Near East, for all ships, do not cause substantial interference, due to the limited frequency band-spread over which they can operate, and to the fact that they do not break down adjoining or distant frequencies.

Warships At Durazzo

In the House of Commons to-day, the Prime Minister announced that an Italian cruiser and two smaller warships have arrived at Durazzo, the chief port of Albania.

Secondly, he stated that Britain and Poland are "prepared to enter into a permanent reciprocal agreement to replace the present temporary assurances given to Poland."

He said the Polish Foreign Minister had given the assurance that Poland will consider itself obliged to render assistance to Britain. He emphasised that the agreement is not directed against any other country but that it is designed "to assure Britain and Poland of mutual assistance in the event of any direct or indirect threat to either."

He said a similar alliance had been made between France and Poland and that three nations had been brought into the "Little Entente" bloc. Mr. Chamberlain added that the British Government intends to proceed with consultations which are already under way with other Governments. These are believed to include Rumania, Turkey, Jugo-Slavia, Greece and, perhaps, Bulgaria.

However, the agreement with Poland does not prevent other countries from making arrangements with other countries for the consolidation of peace.

This is interpreted as meaning that Britain will be free to seize any opportunity to negotiate with either Italy or Germany.—United Press.

Albanian Defence

Paris, Apr. 7. The Albanian Legation issued a communique to-day emphasising Albania's intention never to agree to alienate its independence or to allow foreign troops to disembark.

The communique says that the Italo-Albanian defence alliance of 1927 in no way authorises Italy to intervene for the maintenance of order in Albania.

Therefore, there is nothing to arouse the belief of any change in attitude by Italy.—Reuter.

Pledged To Fight

Tirana, Apr. 6. The Albanian Nationalists are pledged to fight for their independence and it is asserted there would be a revolt if the Government agreed to an Italian protectorate.—United Press.

Jugo-Slavian Precautions

Paris, Apr. 6. It is reported here that Jugo-Slavia has made informal inquiries in France regarding the Anglo-French anti-aggression programme.

This enquiry is a result of the Italian military gestures towards Albania.—United Press.

Goering At San Remo

Rome, Apr. 6. The German Air Minister, Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, who is at present on vacation at San Remo, will embark on Friday aboard the Reggio di Calabria for Tripoli.—Trans-Ocean.

Chungking, Apr. 8. Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Japan, left Shanghai yesterday aboard the Yawfeng Maru to return to Japan, according to a Shanghai report.—Central News.

Ship Radio Sets Banned

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Installations modified to bring them within the specified power limit. No vessels compulsorily fitted with wireless telegraphy which does not conform to the new Wireless Telegraphy regulation will be issued with Passenger and Safety, Passenger Certificates or Safety Radio-telegraphy Certificates after December 31.

Ten Year Warning

This decision means that such ships will not be allowed to proceed to sea unless their apparatus is altered to conform to the new regulations. Warning of the impending changes, which are made under the Washington Convention, was given ten years ago.

Nevertheless, very few ships trading on the China coast, and particularly those registered in Hongkong, are fitted with undamped wave transmitters, which are required under the new laws.

The order to scrap old apparatus as from the end of the year will involve Hongkong ship-owners who have not yet made the change in substantial expenditure this year. Among the many Hongkong registered ships which have not yet scrapped their damped wave apparatus are many passenger ships.

The new rule, as notified in the Gazette to-day, reads as follows: "As from and after January 1, 1940, the use of waves of Type B of all frequencies (damped waves such as are emitted by spark transmitters) is forbidden in all radio-electric communication stations, except for transmitters of ships which, when working on full power, take less than 300 watts measured at the terminals of the alternator."

Interference

The enormous interference created by spark transmitters was responsible for the decision, made in 1930, to forbid their use after 1940.

The modern valve transmitters, such as are employed in broadcasting stations, and which will become compulsory for all ships, do not cause substantial interference, due to the limited frequency band-spread over which they can operate, and to the fact that they do not break down adjoining or distant frequencies.

Additionally, valve transmitters give greater range and can be employed on short or ultra-short wavelengths. Spark transmitters cannot be employed successfully below 200 metres.

Albania Left To Own Fate

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have been telegraphically instructed to inform the governments to which they are accredited, of Italian aggression.

The announcement contradicts the Italian allegation that Italians in Albania were attacked.

It states that Durazzo and Sangiovanni di Medun have been completely destroyed by air and sea bombardment.

The announcement confirmed that the Albanian Minister to Belgrade informed the Jugo-Slav Government of the developments, and it added that there was no Jugo-Slav-Albanian agreement which would justify Albania calling for Jugo-Slav aid.

The Jugo-Slav Government is keeping contact with the Italian Government, hoping that the conflict will end in a rapid solution that will take into account the interests of all three countries.—Reuter.

U.S. Reaction

Washington, Apr. 7. Albanian resistance has raised the question here whether the United States should involve an arms embargo to both countries under the Neutrality Law, and it is speculated as to whether President Roosevelt will act as a gesture against the conflict.

Washington does not expect a general European conflict to result from the Albanian developments.

It has been recalled that Britain and France recognised Italy's special interests in Albania following the World War.—United Press.

No Recognition

Washington, Apr. 7. It is expected that the United States will refuse to recognise the occupation of Albania.

Well-informed circles declared that "this indefensible aggression" by Italy should end the illusions that one end of the Axis could be bought off with concessions, and it is now clear that both ends are equally aggressive and faithless.

It is considered that despite British progress in forming an anti-aggression bloc, much remains to be done.—Reuter.

PASTOR TELLS OF TRAMP DAYS

LONDON. The Rev. Norman Burns, minister of Tilehurst Methodist Church, who once held a travelling ministry in Canada and Labrador, surprised a gathering of homeless men in London by relating that he once was jobless and "on the tramp."

Nervousness In Europe

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can embassies and legations in Europe for the employee use in the event of war.—United Press.

Conscription Plea

In the defence debate at the House of Commons, the Rt. Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery called for an army of two and a half million men to be raised by conscription.

Mr. Vernon Bartlett alleged that the Government's failure to prepare adequately for war had greatly weakened Great Britain's position in Africa, the Mediterranean and Spain, and urged an increase in preparations to make sure that Germany would be unable to defeat the British Empire with a lightning blow.

Washington Parade

More than 22,000 infantrymen, engineers, sailors and marines participated in the Army Day parade in Washington in a heavy downpour of rain, says "United Press."

Army Day, coincides with the 22nd anniversary of the United States entry into the world war. President Roosevelt was absent because of his visit to Warm Springs; however, the reviewing stand contained such notables as the Secretary of War, Harry Woodring; the Chief of Staff General Malin Craig; Admiral Leahy and Secretary of Agriculture Henry Wallace.

Other notables were the Military Attaches of Argentina, Brazil, Venezuela, Chile, Japan, China, Poland, Russia, Great Britain and France. The German Military Attaché, as usual did not attend and the Italian Military Attaché appeared in the stand one hour after the parade had started.

Particular interest was manifested in the mechanized machine guns and anti-aircraft units and also in the motor drawn pontoon bridges.

Parades were held in 25 other cities with a mass demonstration of the fastest army planes at Los Angeles.—United Press.

Will Increase Plane Output

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Consideration of major importance to Empire defence inspired the Australian Government's decision to invite a British official mission to examine, in consultation with Commonwealth representatives, the possibilities of augmenting Australia's capacity for aircraft production.

Far removed in distance from the homeland, Australia must envisage conditions in which European troubles might absorb every effort of the home factories. Hence her desire to build up on her own soil potential productive capacity adequate to meet demands of the Royal Australian Air Force. Looking farther afield, Mr. Lyons, Federal Prime Minister, thinks of Australian factories as a source of supply in emergency for British air squadrons at Singapore and other stations in the Far East command.

OVERSEAS ARSENALS

Following conclusion of agreements for manufacture of military aircraft in Canada, where a new company formed in association by leading Canadian engineering concerns is engaged in early stages of a substantial contract for long-range bombers, the Australian mission foreshadows the establishment of two overseas arsenals of warplane production. Separated by the width of the earth, these two sources of supply will assure a flow of aircraft to squadrons close at hand and supplement Britain's own output.

The mission is composed of Sir Hardman Lever, who last year headed the mission to Canada which resulted in the new manufacturing organization, Sir Donald Banks, Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Air, and Air Marshal Sir Arthur Longmore, all recently Commandant of the Imperial Defence College. They will be supported by a strong body of experts, some of whom will travel by air to Australia to participate in preliminary discussions with the men appointed to represent the Commonwealth Government. Present intention is that the mission shall be ready to begin work toward the end of February.

EMPHASIZES IMPORTANCE

Sir Arthur Longmore's presence on the mission emphasizes its strategic importance. He is a leading authority on the grand strategy of Empire defence. In the fact that he was formerly chief of the Coastal Command, R.A.F. An island continent, whose main air links with other lands depend largely on island chains, Australia must always be preoccupied with problems peculiar to coastal defence. Long-range "general reconnaissance" and bombing aircraft are among her obvious needs to fend off attack by hostile warships, while she requires swift and efficient fighters to counter the raids of carrier-borne aircraft.

SUES BOOKIE AND WINS

HARTFORD, Conn. Julius Macchio lost \$750 on the horses and sued the bookies to recover the money. The supreme court upheld him. The high tribunal sustained a lower court decision that Macchio did not have to itemize his losses.

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FRANCIS I. du PONT & COMPANY REPORT BY CABLE

STOCKS: The volume of trading is still not encouraging. To-day's bearishness seems overdue in view of the severity of the declines in face of the good tenor of business news. The excesses of Federal Reserve Banks touched a new high record. Barron's index advanced to 73.4 from 72.3. General Electric Company's March bookings were 46 per cent. over the corresponding period of 1938 and 33 per cent. over the first-quarter. The Buick Motor Company's March sales were 65 cent. above February and 35 per cent. over the same month of last year.

The General Motors Corporation's truck sales for the third period of March were 69 per cent. over the corresponding period of 1938. For the whole of March, they were 60 per cent. over the same month of last year. The Chevrolet Motor Company's sales in the last ten days of March were up sharply. Used car sales showed a heavy gain. Engineering construction awards were the highest for any March since 1931.

RUBBER: Selling pressure was conspicuously absent.

HIDES: Sizeable "spot" business is reported in Chicago.

GRAINS: The Argentine export surplus of wheat totals 220,000,000 bushels. There is no constructive news regarding corn.

LONDON AVERAGES:

	APRIL 5	APRIL 6
Industrial Average	66.5	66.2
Value Average	54.5	54.0

These averages are based on 100 as of December 31st, 1934.

EASTERTIDE HOLIDAYS

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Straits	Anhui	April 9
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	April 10
Straits	Telchess	April 10
Australia and Manila	Changchun	April 11
Shanghai	Glenbeg	April 11
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Cebu, Manila and Europe via Negapatam (Papers etc.) London date, 9th March	Santha	April 11
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Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.) London date, 16th March and London Parcels—London date, 9th March	Carthage	April 12
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 5th April	Imperial Airways Plane	April 12
Saigon	Jean Laborde	April 12
Straits and Manila	Menchesius	April 12
Shanghai and Amoy	Sochow	April 12

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Manila	Emp. of Canada	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon
Bangkok	Hank	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon
Fort Bayard, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kayong	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon
Shanghai	Nellore	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon
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Saigon	Shunchih	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon

Sunday

Swallow and Foochow Hupeh Sun., Apr. 9, 9 a.m.

Monday

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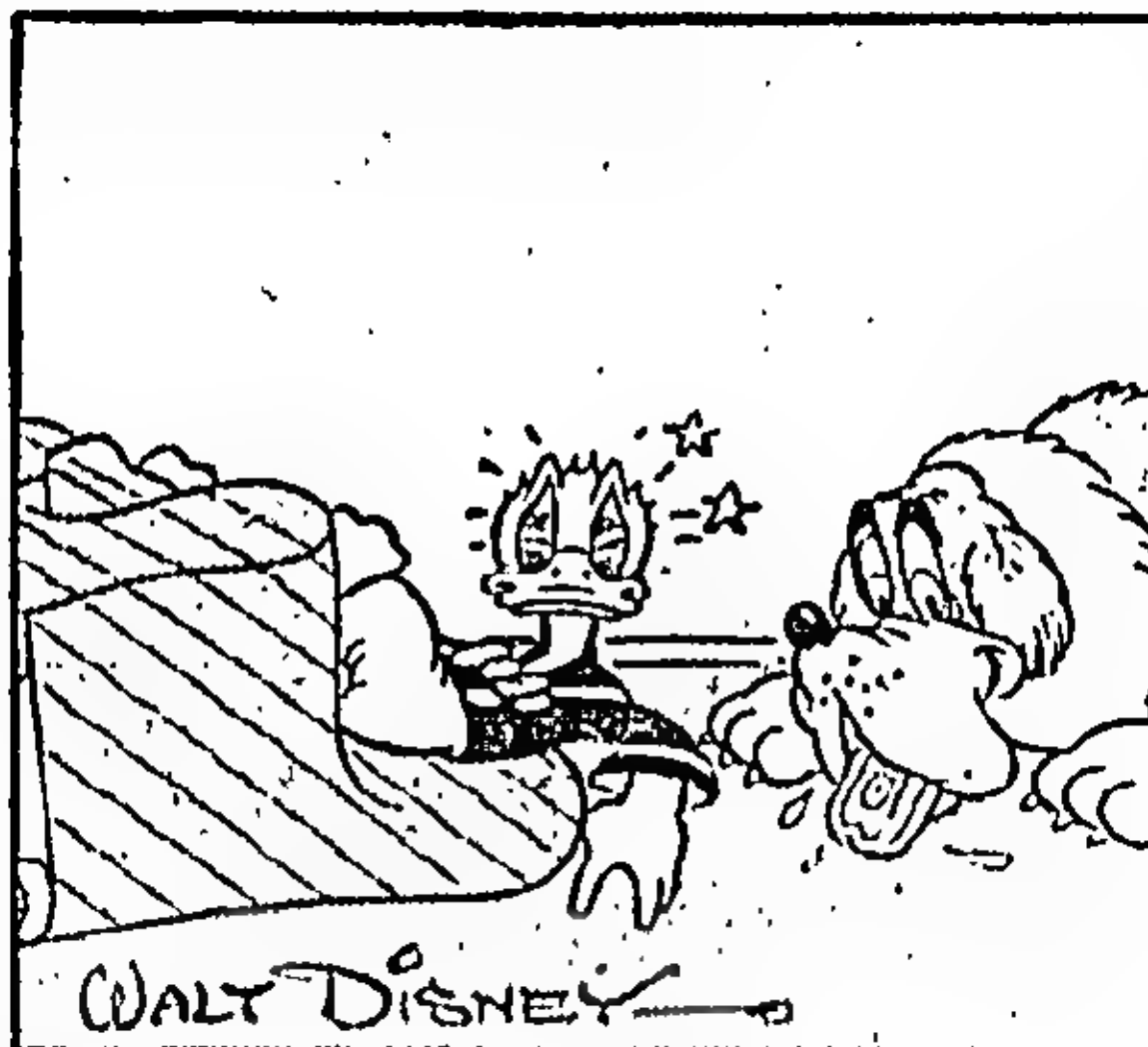
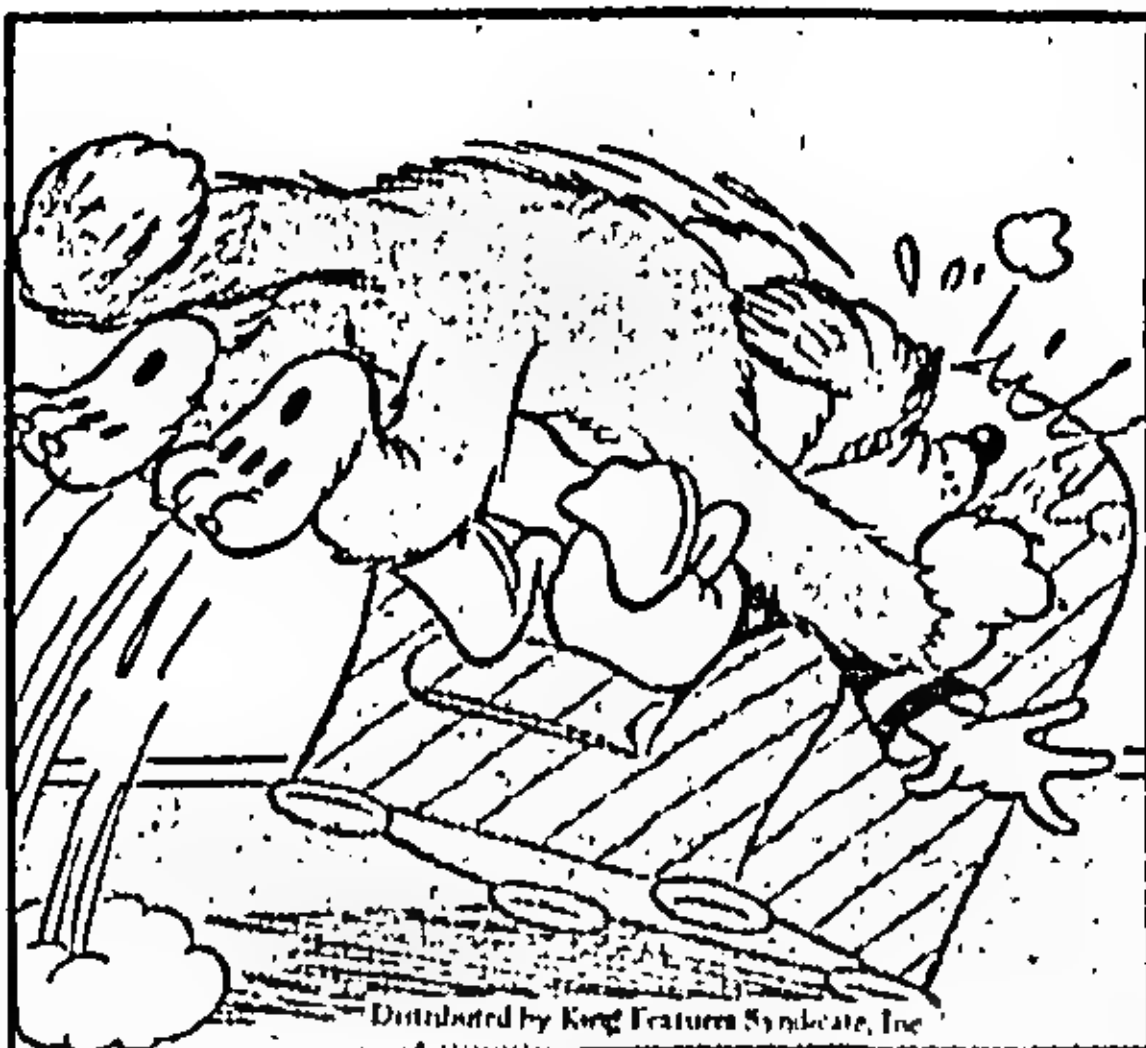
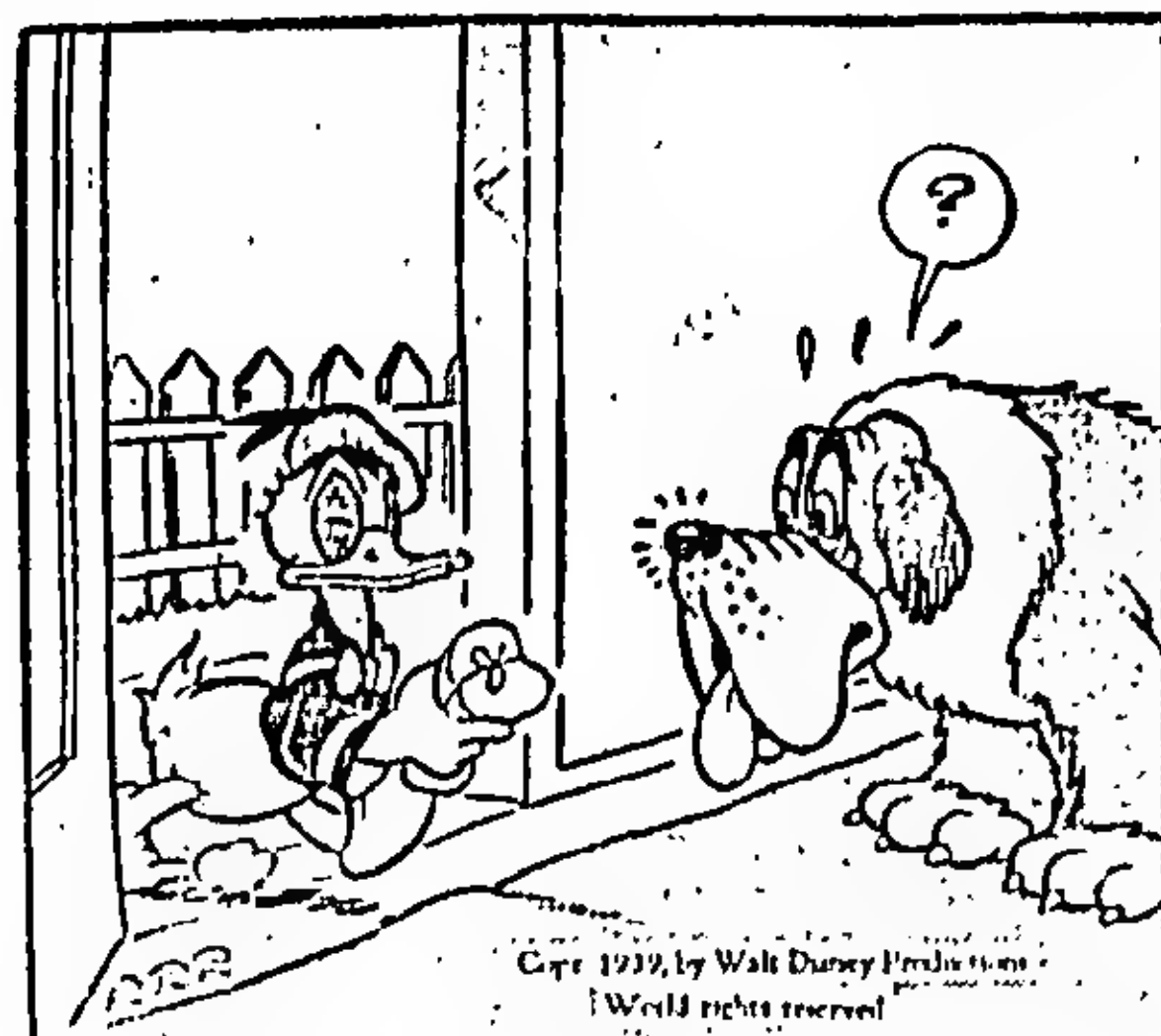
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ANTI-BRITISH POSTERS

CAMPAIGN OF
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CHUNGKING, Apr. 7.

CLOSE ATTENTION is being given by the International Settlement authorities in Shanghai to the appearance of anti-British and anti-Chiang Kai-shek posters in the city, according to a report from Shanghai.

Many such posters were discovered pasted on the walls along the streets in the western districts yesterday.

A number of them also appeared in Nanking and Kiukiang Roads.—Central News.

CANTON SITUATION

CANTON, Apr. 7.

THE JAPANESE authorities here will not countenance any anti-British campaign in Canton, and are closely watching the situation in this connection.

This assurance was given by a Japanese spokesman at a press conference to-day in reply to a foreign correspondent, who drew attention to the posters he had seen in the city denouncing the British loan to China.

The spokesman professed ignorance of the origin of the posters, and asserted that undoubtedly the authorities would look into the matter.

In reply to other questions, the spokesman strongly denied the claim made in Chungking that Chinese planes raided Canton a few days ago and destroyed ten large Japanese planes on the ground.

Since the occupation of Canton by the Japanese last October, he added, the city had not experienced a single Chinese air raid.

He announced that all persons proceeding from Canton to the occupied areas in Central China, including Shanghai and Nanking, must in future, carry a certificate showing that they have recently been inoculated against cholera and small-pox. The regulation applies to foreigners as well as to Chinese.

Campaign On Crime

Speaking of the Japanese campaign against crime, the spokesman announced that 71 Chinese had been convicted of armed robbery of looting and were shot a few days ago.

This was the second mass execution of criminals since the occupation, and followed a swift trial.

The spokesman then said he wished to correct a misunderstanding regarding the usefulness of the Good Citizen badges system. He declared that the system was useful at the start, but it no longer served its purpose when too many were issued—to over 500,000 people, all of whom, of course, could not claim to be good citizens.

Kowkong Accident

He revealed that one Japanese cameraman was killed and four others injured as a result of an accident near Kowkong, about 25 miles southwest of Canton at the end of March, while a party of 18 Japanese journalists and cameramen were returning by bus from a tour of the battle area. He said they were attacked by some "Chinese remnant troops" and for some reason the bus overturned, causing the death of Mr. Shiraki, a cameraman of the South China Photo Service.

He asserted that Chinese volunteers were co-operating with the Japanese forces in the mopping-up operations in the West River delta which began on March 27.—Reuter.

Opium In Shanghai

London, Apr. 7.
In a written reply to Sir John Haslam in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler stated that Viscount Halifax was making enquiries regard-

War Chief
Warns
Jap. Army

"THERE IS no knowing what will happen in the immediate future."

"The task set before the Japanese Army is becoming increasingly grave."

This frank admission was made by the Japanese Minister for War, General S. Hara, in an address to a conference of Divisional Army Commanders at the War Office on Thursday.

The report was brought to Hongkong by "Domel".

The prospect of fulfilling Japan's plan for a "new order" in East Asia is still remote, the War Minister confessed.

General Itagaki stressed the necessity of reforming the military administration and enhancing military discipline, despite "the brilliant successes achieved in various parts of China."

"The execution of the Army Budget for the current fiscal year, which amounts to an unprecedentedly high level, will have grave effects upon national finance," he declared.

"Efforts should be made to economise in military expenditure and the consumption of materials."

CHAPEL HILL, North Carolina, Apr. 6.
MR. TSWEIN LING TSUI, First Secretary to the Chinese Embassy to Washington, to-day told the University of North Carolina that Japan's war plans contemplate the occupation of all the South Seas islands, including the Philippines and the Dutch East Indies.

He said Japan definitely began the execution of their policy of economic and political domination of Asia and adjacent areas when they started their campaign in Manchuria in September, 1931.

Their programme consists, he said, of two parts:

1. The Army's continental policy envisioning the conquest of China and other Asiatic countries.
2. The Navy's policy in the South Seas, in which the Philippines and Dutch East Indies are included.

He charged that Japan intends to use China as a base for their anticipated clash with other nations for domination of Asia and the Pacific.

In order to accomplish this, he declared, Japan must crush all Chinese resistance and uproot foreign business. He said foreigners will be allowed to operate in China only if they do not compete with Japan.

Slammed Open Door

Japan has slammed the open door through the destruction of Chinese and foreign businesses by trade monopolies and the issuance of irredeemable banknotes, as well as their refusal to permit foreign traders to return to the occupied areas and legalised smuggling, which is blessed by the Japanese Army.

Japanese officials, he claimed, have admitted that 40,000 tons of Japanese goods have been smuggled into Shanghai free of duty.

Japan's slogan "Asia for the Asiatics," he said, is really "Asia for the Japanese."—United Press.

Congress And Japan

Washington, Apr. 6.
The Sino-Japanese hostilities have again become the outstanding issue in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee debates.

Senator Borah said he was not entirely against the cash-and-carry system "but it seems that under this system we immensurably strengthen Japan as compared with China."

Senator Hiram Johnson attacked the cash and carry system under which, he said, "we become an ally of Japan in the Pacific and of Great Britain in the Atlantic."

Senator Key Pittman urged for the adoption of the system because it does not change the present status of the Sino-Japanese situation.

In response to Senator Schwelb's question, Mr. Bernard Baruch said the selling of scrap iron to Japan probably did not constitute material aid to Japan.—United Press.

Spratly Islands

London, Apr. 6.
The Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, told Mr. Geoffrey Mander in the House of Commons that any protest against the Japanese annexation of the Spratly Islands was a matter for France instead of Britain.

He added that Britain is maintaining contact with Paris on the matter. In response to Mr. Wedgwood Benn's question whether the Islands were also strategic to Britain, Mr. Butler said: "Obviously they are of great strategic importance."—United Press.

Japanese Settlement

Tokyo, Apr. 6.
The Spratly group, which the Japanese Government have placed under the jurisdiction of the Government-General of Formosa, consist of 14 islands, according to an Admiralty spokesman.

Replying to a foreign correspondent to-day, the spokesman dismissed as groundless the rumour that a Japanese landing party landed on the islands six weeks ago, or that any new step has been taken to guard the islands.

The spokesman revealed that the largest island of the group is Nagashima, or Long Island, which is about 40 hectares in area. The spokesman stated that a Japanese business corporation has been working phosphate mines on the islands since 1917.

Definite figures are not available, but the annual production of phosphate is considerable, the spokesman said.—Domel.

No Strike This
Year In France

Paris, Apr. 6.
Contrary to the decision made last year, the General Federation of Trade Unions in France will this year not declare a one-day general strike on May 1.

A motion to this effect was carried to-day by the national committee of the Trades Unions Federation.—Trans-Ocean.

Another Chinese column driving down the Canton-Hankow Railway recaptured Sunkai and Kongtun, respectively about 17 and 11 miles north of Canton, on Thursday. The Japanese clinging to the blockhouses at Sunkai were totally annihilated. The victorious Chinese column is reported to be pressing on Canton.—Central News.

DISCRIMINATION BY
MANCHUKUO GOVT.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 6.

AT A press conference to-day, Secretary of State Mr. Cordell Hull, said Japan has accumulated big supplies of American materials in Manchukuo for use against China and future operations.

He revealed that during 1938 Manchukuo's purchases from the United States aggregated about \$17,000,000 mainly for military supplies, including \$1,556,000 for raw cotton, \$5,888,000 for manufactured steel, \$4,000,000 for oils, and \$4,000,000 for machinery mostly automobiles for mechanised troops.

These he said were all abnormal military purchases.

He therefore refuted Senator Nye's accusation that the State Department had unfairly charged Manchukuo with discriminating against United States trade.

Mr. Hull reiterated that America is suffering from Manchukuoan discrimination.—United Press.

ing the report published in a Shanghai newspaper on March 1 that opium dens in a Shanghai district outside of the jurisdiction of the Municipal Council had been licensed by the Japanese authorities.—Reuter.

China Claims
Many Gains
Recapture Towns
In Kwangtung

SZEWUI, Apr. 7.

RAPID progress has been made by the Chinese in their counter-offensive on various fronts in Kwangtung.

Sunwui, 45 miles southwest of Canton and six miles southwest of Koonmoon, was re-entered by the Chinese on Wednesday evening after hand-to-hand combats. Street fighting developed in the city.

Co-ordinating with their counter-assault in the Sunwui-Koonmoon area, the Chinese smashed down the West River in a forceful drive, successively recapturing Samkong, Yun-yao, Mukmin, Lamkong, and Old Samshui City.



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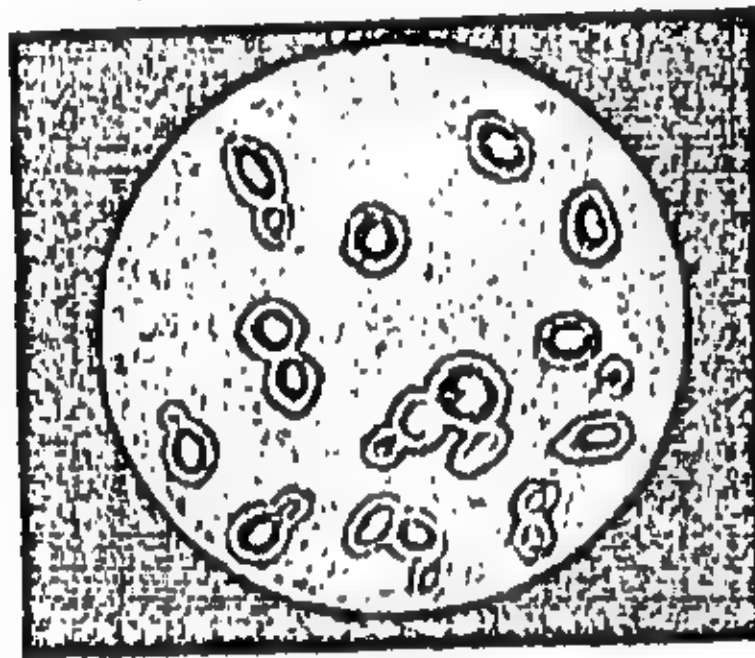
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The engagement is announced between Priscilla (Pat) Wright eldest daughter of Thomas Wright, Esq., Gray's, Essex, England, and Alexander McGregor, elder son of Mrs. and the late Captain R. F. Mitchell, Hongkong. (Shanghai papers please copy).

The Hongkong Telegraph.
Wyndham St., Hongkong
Phone 26615
April 8, 1939

Easter Message

Events are again hurrying forward in Europe.

Yesterday came the news of the Italian invasion of Albania, an attempt at territorial acquisition that is as impudent as that so successfully undertaken by Herr Hitler in Bohemia and Moravia.

How is this eternal aggression to be stopped?

It must eventually lead to war on a devastating scale in Europe.

Are dictators really maniacs, as psychologists firmly insist? All their actions seem to point to an element of truth in the accusation. To what other reason can be attributed this lust for power that has gripped them to such an extent that they become men without honour—men to whom treaties are as much scraps of paper as was a famous pact in 1914?

What an Easter message Mussolini has given to the world!

Real A.R.P.

Is Hongkong to be given full protection against air raids? At the moment the answer is "No."

The authorities are silent regarding the repeated calls for tunnels, which can provide the only true shelter in this Colony. They take too long to build: they are too expensive: the Government has a plan for mass evacuation of population.

The question of protection for the Hongkong citizen admits no delay. We are not a day nearer proper shelter from mass air raids than we were when bombers were first recognised as a menace to civilisation. Tunnels should be no more expensive to dig in Hongkong than roads and nullahs. Mass evacuation? Where to, in this Colony of a few hundred square

"IT IS FINISHED"

OF ALL announcements ever made since time began, this is the grandest.

It is the death warrant of man's great adversary. It is the Emancipation Proclamation to every slave of sin. It is God's New Deal to every soul who battles with evil. It is the Magna Charta of the believer's liberty.

In the original it means, not something brought to an end, but to successful completion, accomplishment, perfection.

Over three worlds rang out that cry of eternal victory wrested from the kingdom of darkness for us—and the devils cowered in defeat; the unfallen intelligences sang for joy; and human beings, helpless and hopeless, found the gates of deliverance wide open.

"It is finished." What was finished? Seven things were finished. Let us enumerate them.

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FIRST, Christ's earthly life of perfect obedience was ended. All He had been given to do He had done. All His Father's commandments He had kept. Looking back over His life, He could have no regrets. Looking into His heart, He could be conscious of no stain. No man ever lived, before or since, whose life was one of perfect obedience.

And now that perfect life has reached its end—death by crucifixion at the age of thirty-three. Those hands, never outstretched save in blessing, cease to move. Those feet, never moving save in ministry of love, cease to act. That heart, never bending save in aching tenderness, ceases to throb. Those hands have been pierced by sin. Those feet have been pierced by hate. That heart has been broken by ingratitude. But no more pain, no more loneliness, no more sorrow now. The struggle is all over. The darkness is past. "It is finished"—His life of perfect obedience lived always in the shadow of the cross.

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SECONDLY, the old dispensation of types and shadows was terminated. No longer were the memorial sacrifices and rites which pointed forward to the Lamb of God efficacious. Type had met anti-type, for that Lamb had been slain. "When the loud cry, 'It is finished,' came from the lips of Christ, the priests were officiating in the temple. It was the hour of the evening sacrifice. The lamb representing Christ had been brought to be slain. Clothed in his significant and beautiful dress, the priest stood with lifted knife, as did Abraham when he was about to slay his son. With intense interest the people were looking on. But the earth trembles and quakes; for the Lord Himself draws near. With a rending noise the inner veil of the temple is torn from top to bottom by an unseen hand, throwing open to the gaze of the multitude a place once filled with the presence of God. ... But lo, this veil is rent in twain. The most holy place of the earthly sanctuary is no longer sacred.

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FOURTHLY, the all-sufficient sacrifice was made, once for all. Let there be no doubt of that. As the Anglican Prayer Book puts it: "He made there [by His one oblation of Himself once offered] a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world." And that is scriptural.

Why, then, the frequent repetitions of that sacrifice on church altars of to-day—in the Eucharist—where, it is believed, His very body in actuality is broken again, and thus the Son of God is crucified afresh? "Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?" "In vain they do worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." Once for all He died, when He died for all; and to kill Him again, even in the Mass, if He were there, would be to repeat the murder of the Jewish priests.

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THE ransom He paid was sufficient. "Jesus paid it all." That payment was not in part. It covers every sinner who will accept. The check is made to "whoever believeth." Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

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ALL IS terror and confusion. The priest is about to slay the victim; but the knife drops about his nerveless hand, and the lamb escapes. Type has met anti-type in the death of God's Son. The great sacrifice has been made. "The way now and living way is presented for all. No longer need sinful, sorrowing humanity await the coming of the high priest. Henceforth the Saviour was to officiate as priest and advocate in the heaven of heavens. It was as if a living voice had spoken to the worshippers: 'There is now an end to all sacrifices and offerings for sin. ... By His own blood' He entereth in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us."

miles already surrounded by war?

By all means let us have temporary shelters and gas-proof rooms. Keep on the good work already undertaken. But the more urgent problem of real protection must be tackled as quickly as possible.

We may never need air raid shelters. We may be lucky.

If, which God forbid, we are involved in a Pacific war, we will pay the penalty of procrastination, and pay heavily.



Fifthly, the rejection of their King was accomplished. "Art Thou the King of the Jews?" Came the clear answer, "Thou sayest." "Shall I crucify your King?" asked the Roman of the Hebrew people. "But they cried out, Away with Him, and crucify Him." "We have no king but Caesar." They demonstrated it by killing Him. They fulfilled His prophecy of the wicked husbandmen.

JESUS of Nazareth never rejected the Jews. But when, as a nation, they rejected Him who had given them every proof by fulfilled prophecy and supernatural works that He was their Messiah, what could He do? "We have no king but Caesar." They demonstrated it by killing Him. They fulfilled His prophecy of the wicked husbandmen.

The reason for all the subsequent tragedies of this saddest of all races is Golgotha. They are no longer a nation; so as a nation they cannot accept Him now. But the only answer to all the miseries and heartaches and sorrows of the individual Jew is by the way of that same Golgotha. There, for the Jew, as well as for the Gentile, the Martyred One shed His blood for remission of sins, praying, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do."

SIXTHLY, the vindication of God's law and His mercy was complete. If that law could have been in any sense abrogated, Jesus need never have died. "Sin is the transgression of the law" and "the wages of sin is death." Therefore Christ, the sinless Christ, who was made sin for us, was under the condemnation of that law. That broken law demanded the death of Him who took our place. If that law had not been irrevocable, He need not have died. The fact that He had to die to satisfy its demands on our behalf forever vindicates His own word concerning it in Matthew: "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, but to fulfill it. I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled." Christ, therefore, certainly did not repeal the law He gave, and done so would have immortalized transgression.

BY HIS life He proved that the law could be obeyed by grace. "I have kept," He said, "My Father's commandments." "If ye love Me, ye will keep My commandments." By His death He proved that the law could not be broken without death. God did not change His law, for it is righteous; but in His unfathomable mercy for sinners, He sacrificed Himself in His own Son, our substitute. So love found a way to be just, and yet the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus. "For whosoever shall do the will of the Father, he shall have eternal life, and shall not come into condemnation, but shall have passed from death unto life." God sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: that the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. On Calvary the vindication of God's law and mercy was complete.

AND lastly, the work of redemption was finished. "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me, and to finish His work," declared the Saviour. And in His Gethsemane prayer, He said, "I have finished the work which Thou gavest Me to do." Now "it is finished."

—L. A. W.

The Average German

Conversations With Philip Gibbs

Although written before the latest crisis, an article by Mr. Philip Gibbs in *Truth*, headed "Conversation in Berlin," is significant as showing the attitude of typical Germans towards the danger of another European war. Extracts from this article are reproduced below.

A WEEK or two ago I was talking to a German working-man in Berlin and after he had gone I made a note of what he had said so that I might have his exact words. They are more important than other things I heard from people in high places because this man spoke the thoughts and anxieties of his own class, that of millions of German working-folk.

"We Germans," he said, "want peace above all things. We want tranquillity, so that we can get on with our work without fear in our minds. We all want friendship with England and France. But this uncertainty is frightful. We have a black screen in front of us and can't see through it. I have two boys of 16 and 17, don't want them to be killed. They know what war is all right and don't like the idea of it. I've told them about it, I was badly wounded three times. Certainly Hitler has done great things for the German folk, but most of us are wondering whether all that is going to be spoilt by another war in which our sons would be sacrificed. We don't understand why England and Germany are at cross-purposes—especially after Munich, which we hoped would bring peace and good-will."

STORM AFTER MUNICH

They thought the Munich agreement was the prelude to a new era of peace and friendship with England based on justice, and they were disappointed and dismayed when a section of the English Press and political world broke out in a storm of rage against the British Prime Minister and shouted the words "Betrayal" and "Surrender!" They were even more disappointed when they heard of the terrific intensification of British rearmament immediately following the Munich agreement. It seemed to them inconsistent with Mr. Chamberlain's peace policy, and to hold some kind of threat. It was the reason, they thought, why Hitler spoke harsh words in the first speeches he had made after the Munich meetings.

I found that this thought still rankles in German minds. Owing to the controlled news in their Press and the machinery of propaganda the ordinary people in Germany, without other means of information, do not know or understand the sudden realisation that came to our own Government and people during the September crisis of our deplorable weakness and of the grim and urgent necessity for intensive rearmament after an experience when their own leader had not hesitated to risk a world war with that threat, harshly made, behind his demands. We could not submit again to that kind of diplomacy.

"DARK DESTINY"

But they are uneasy in their minds, like that working-man whose words I have quoted. It was not a working man but one of high rank who expressed the sense of some evil spell which hangs over us all in this time. "There is some dark destiny," he said, "which prevents friendship between Germany and England. It is not the fault of the peoples, who want peace with each other. It is a class of political forces without reason on either side. I am afraid of this race in armaments. If it goes on it will lead to an explosion. I am afraid of the conflict and challenge stirred up by the Press because of rival ideologies. The Left Press in England insists that Germany is the enemy. They seem to want a war with us. Do they want it?"

Talking to people in Berlin, in high places and low, I became aware of certain ideas prevailing in the German mind. The September crisis has not altered in any way the desire to the whole people for friendship with us except by intensifying it. But they are deeply anxious over the possibility of a new crisis arising from political and economic causes. "We must export or die," said Hitler, but they are aware that their exports are declining heavily and that they are losing the power of purchasing many of the raw materials necessary for their internal need and the machinery of their life.

TO THE SOUTH-EAST

For that reason they believe, rightly or wrongly, that they need colonies which they could administer with German currency, useless in other markets, but they know that this question is, for a time at least, outside practical possibilities because of the temper of these days. They look towards South-east Europe as their only means of economic expansion, not by conquest but by trade preferences, but they suspect that we wish to cut them off in that direction. "If your Government adopts a day-in-the-manager policy," I was told by Hitler nearly a year ago, "and tries to draw a line against us in South-east Europe, it will be one of the roads to war."

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Mr. Flizbee has such a lovely temperature to-day, we're testing all the thermometers on him!"

PREMIER WHO GAVE LIFE FOR COUNTRY

AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER'S DEATH

MR. LYONS' CAREER

From School-House To Premiership

JOSEPH ALOYSIUS LYONS, the Australian statesman, was born in Tasmania of Irish parents in September 1879.

At the age of nine he started work as an office boy. Then after some time on the land he became a teacher and later studied at Tasmania University, earning distinction in mathematics.

Entering politics at 30, he was elected M.P. for Wilkes. In 1914 he became Minister of Education and Railways and Treasurer.

From 1923 to 1928 he was Premier and Treasurer of Tasmania, whose finances he rehabilitated.

He was sent to the Federal Parliament and when the Scullin Labour Government came into power in 1929 was made Postmaster-General and Minister for Works.

When, in July, 1930, the Treasurer, E. O. Theodore, resigned his post in view of the charges brought against him, Lyons became acting Treasurer.

Floated Depression Loan

During Scullin's absence in London he fought the advocates of inflation and repudiation and successfully floated the £28,000,000 "depression" loan.

In January 1931, Theodore was invited to rejoin the Cabinet and move opposed by Lyons, Fenton and Anstey. Fenton and Lyons resigned, the latter declaring that Theodore's return to the Treasury meant "a man's return to the Treasury."

In March Lyons left the Labour party after a vigorous attack on its financial policy. Australia, he said, must maintain her solvency and retain her self-respect. He then became leader of the main opposition group, the Nationalists, which after the accession of various ex-Labour men was renamed the United Australian party. Its former leader Latham stood down in his favour.

In May he moved a vote of censure on his former Cabinet colleagues. The Government was defeated on November 25 by 37 to 32 on another vote of censure in which it was alleged that Theodore had shown political favouritism in distributing the Federal unemployment relief grant.

Became Premier

At the elections in December Labour secured only 17 seats against 54 for the Opposition parties. Lyons, as leader of the largest of these, was then asked to form a Cabinet. While he lacked the brilliance of Hughes and the savoir faire of Bruce, he was a fearless fighter and a capable administrator. His private life like his public life was blameless and his nickname was "Honest Joe." His wife (nee Enid Burnell) who was a teacher, assisted him in his public work, addressing meetings all over the country, in spite of the claims of a young family of ten.

Long Political Struggle

Lyons had a long struggle with J. T. Lang, the Labour Premier of New South Wales, who wished to default on the State's interest obligation.

Lang asked the Federal Government for an advance of £3,000,000, but this was refused unless he agreed to pay over an interest. This he consented to, but later declared that he could not pay what was owing in London and New York and tried to arrange a moratorium. Lyons segregated part of the State's revenue, whereupon Lang locked up the tax assessment papers and was threatened with gaol.

Then Lyons got an act passed empowering the Federal Government to seize all New South Wales revenues. Lang countered with a measure enabling him to raise £2,000,000 in a fortnight by taxation of mortgages, but Lyons declared a state of emergency and Lang was dismissed by the Governor of New South Wales.

By September 1932, the Lyons Government had converted a deficit of £1,148,000 bequeathed to it by the Scullin Cabinet eight months before into a surplus of £1,314,000. His Budget included important reductions in the tariff which benefited British trade.

Lyons not only received journalists regularly, but entertained them in a homely way. He played the piano, while Mrs. Lyons dispensed tea, coffee and cakes.

Lyons was permanently lame from a level crossing accident in Tasmania.

Visit To London

In 1935 Lyons went to London for the Jubilee celebrations. While there he is said to have asked "the Duke of Kent should succeed Sir Isaac Isaacs as Governor-General and presented Australia's case against restriction of meat imports into Britain.

He visited Ireland where he saw the home of his ancestors in Galway, toured the French battlefields, called on the Pope and on his way home saw President Roosevelt. Lyons was again in London for the Coronation in 1937.

At the general election in October the two coalition parties were returned to power for a third term, but with reduced strength and greatly diminished majorities. Towards the end of 1938 there was increasing friction between the Country Party and the United Australia Party.

Cooperation between Lyons and Sir Earle Page, leader of the Coun-

\$2,600,000 STEELWORKS

New Industry In China's Interior

Chungking, Apr. 7.

IN A serene Szechwan village about a day's walk from Chungking, more than 1,000 workers are busily dynamiting rocky hillocks, levelling patches of rice fields, building unpretentious houses, and installing machines. They are building a new steel works at a cost of \$2,600,000.

The plant will begin its work with a 10-ton Bessemer converter and two electric furnaces of three and one half tons respectively. Pig iron, charcoal, and other raw materials will be supplied by the Chikiang Iron Mine and the Nantung Coal Mine and other factories and mines. More furnaces will be added in the course of time to meet the rising demand of steel in time of war as well as peace.

Machines of the plant, some salvaged from a down-river arsenal and some from a former Government steel factory in Shanghai, were in most cases brought up the Yangtze by steamers.—Central News.

"GERMANY MADE MISTAKE ONCE"

NEUTRALITY LAW IN THE UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, Apr. 7.

"YOU CANNOT put economic pressure upon nations and hope to remain indefinitely at peace with them," declared Mr. Bernard M. Baruch, famous American economic adviser, when testifying before the Senate neutrality committee to-day.

"Economic sanctions are, in themselves, dangerous. If they fail they are bound to lead to war. I doubt whether economic pressure on our part could prevent war if an aggressor was determined on it."

Mr. Baruch endorsed the principle of placing arms and ammunition on a "cash-and-carry" basis when other countries were at war, and the United States were neutral. He believed this could be done without affecting the neutrality status.

"U.S. Will Fight"

Anyone who thought the United States would not fight when the interests of this hemisphere and the United States were involved is badly mistaken, declared Mr. Baruch, who added grimly: "Germany made that mistake once."

He said that he believed the United States or the western hemisphere could escape involvement in a European conflict without buying its head in the sand, and yet still raise its voice against faithlessness and brutality.

The Best Course

Mr. Baruch, who was President Wilson's chairman of the 1918 War Industries Board, and now a frequent consultant of President Roosevelt, expressed the opinion that since true neutrality "is almost unobtainable ideal," the best course is that which protects it as far as possible from involvement in war, which preserves fairness in dealings with belligerents, aids in the development of defence, and guards against economic collapse.

"If we believe we can defend the western hemisphere, then the argument for waging economic warfare falls to the ground."

Mr. Baruch declared that the commerce of the world on which rested both its peace and prosperity was dying—by increasing restrictions of tariff, quotas and "self-containment."

He said that Mr. Cordell Hull was trying to restore it, but the present neutrality legislation threatened to restrict it further.—Reuter.

Bogota (Colombia), Apr. 6.—Two women and two children were killed near here to-day when two trains collided on the Girardot Railway. Thirty-five others were injured.—United Press.

SYDNEY, Apr. 7.

MR. JOSEPH ALOYSIUS LYONS, Prime Minister of Australia, who has been seriously ill after suffering two heart attacks, died this morning. He was in his 60th year.

Mr. Lyons died in the presence of Dame Enid, his wife, who had scarcely left his bedside for two days.

Federal and State members of the Cabinet were present in the hospital, and many were in tears.

Mr. Lyons amazed the doctors by rallying after half a dozen heart seizures.

Tribute By Colleagues

Sir Earle Page, Minister of Commerce, broadcast a tribute to the late Premier, when he said: "If ever a man can truly be said to have given his life for his country, that man is Mr. Lyons."

"His passing completes the career of a great Australian statesman, and a great Imperial patriot, who, supported and inspired by a talented wife, succeeded in directing the recovery of Australia from one of the darkest hours in its history."

"The premature ending to his wise and useful life was really due to the intense strain and anxiety which accompanied his efforts to help Australia and the Empire in this present extremity."—Reuter.

Election Aftermath?

SYDNEY, Apr. 7.

The late Mr. Lyons is the first Australian Prime Minister to die in office.

It is not yet known what action the Governor-General will take.

One of the political consequences, however, may be an early Federal election.—Reuter.

Country Party Premier

Sydney, Apr. 7.

Sir Earle Page, Minister of Commerce, has been appointed the new Prime Minister in succession to the late Mr. Joseph A. Lyons.

He has formed a stop-gap Cabinet which is little changed from the old one.—Reuter.

GERMAN FLIGHT TO FAR EAST

BERLIN, Apr. 7.

HERR GLABENZ, Director of the Lufthansa Air Service, is to fly to Tokyo in the second half of April. It will not be a record-breaking flight, but made in order to prepare the ground for a Berlin-Tokyo Air Service planned by Lufthansa.

Herr Glabenz will use a three-engined Junker machine, and will stop off at all places where landings may be made in the scheduled Air Service, in order to study air ports, conditions, and to confer with the authorities, etc.

Among these places may be Athens, Rhodes, Damascus, Baghdad, Calcutta, Hongkong, Shanghai. The definite route is not available, and the flight may take ten days.—Reuter.

AIR RAIDS RENEWED

Destruction In Three Provinces

Chungking, Apr. 7.

DEATH and destruction befall towns in Kwangtung, Kwangsi and Hunan during severe air raids conducted by Japanese bombers yesterday.

Fakong on the Canton-Hankow Railway north of Canton was attacked by three Japanese machines in the morning. Fifteen missiles were released there, wounding four civilians and destroying 11 houses.

In Kwangsi, Liuchow, important town southwest of Kweilin, was raided by a fleet of 23 planes which flew from Hainan Island. They dropped scores of bombs in the heart of the city.

Eighteen Japanese aircraft attacked Hengyang, on the Canton-Hankow Railway, southwest of Changsha in Hunan, raining a large number of bombs. A heavy civilian toll was reported to have been taken.

Tsingling near Pingkiang, in northern Hunan, was also raided by a Japanese machine which dropped six missiles. It is learned that Lianchiang and Wenchichang, respectively 24 and 29 miles southeast of Nanchang on the Chikiang-Kiangsi Railway, were severely raided by over a dozen Japanese planes in relays on Wednesday.—Central News.

"Domci" Report

Hankow, Apr. 7.

Attempts by Chinese forces to counter-attack their lost positions in northern Hupeh were quelled as the result of the vigorous attacks by Japanese military air forces during the past days, despatches from Japanese air bases claim.

The Chinese forces near Suifu, Tienyang, and Siangyang in northern Hupeh west of the Peking-Hankow Railway recently were understood to be preparing for further counter-attacks against the Japanese occupied districts.

Intense activity was shown during the past two days by Japanese Army and Navy aircraft in northern Hupeh despite bad weather conditions, according to field advices.

At 4.30 p.m. on Wednesday, three squadrons of military aircraft by relay severely bombed near Suifu, troops concentrated near Suifu, about 100 miles northwest of Hankow, and its outlying districts. The same localities were again intensely bombed by military aircraft on Thursday morning and afternoon.

Taoyang, base of remnant Chinese about 50 miles northwest of Suifu, was subjected to two successive bombing attacks by Japanese military air forces on Thursday morning. Fire was started in the city of Taoyang at two places following the attacks, Army pilots revealed.—Domci.

Parliament Adjourns

Britain Forgets The Political Outlook

LONDON, Apr. 7.—Parliament adjourned to-day for the Easter recess until April 18.

The weather forecast of a fair amount of sunshine has prompted Britain to forget the international crisis, and to flock in record numbers to the country and seaside resorts for Easter.

The railways are running nearly 3,000 trains from London, and every available air liner has been pressed into service for Continental journeys.—Reuter.

British Envoy For Hongkong

Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, left for Hongkong aboard the B. and S. Taiyuan, en route to Chungking this morning. Meanwhile Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Japan, and his wife, have left for Japan aboard the Terukuni Maru.—Reuter.

50-YEAR PACIFIC PACT

America & Britain Reach Agreement

WASHINGTON, Apr. 7.

A 50-YEAR Anglo-American agreement for joint occupation and administration of the Pacific islands of Canton and Enderbury for use as trans-oceanic air stations has been signed.

It provides that an American company, or companies, may construct at Canton Island an airport which will provide facilities for both British and American aircraft in return for agreed fees.—Reuter.

Anglo-American Solidarity

Washington, Apr. 6.

Diplomatic quarters see new evidence of President Roosevelt's efforts to enhance Anglo-American solidarity in the present crisis in the announcement of the joint administration of the islands of Canton and Enderbury.

They have been the subject of a long dispute regarding their sovereignty.

The islands have assumed significance recently, firstly, for trans-Pacific airlines and, secondly, as potential air bases in the event of hostilities in the Pacific.

Responsible quarters here believe that the two Powers reached an agreement promptly in order to avoid the unpleasant appearance of a dispute.

If any differences arise over the administration of the islands, they shall be settled by arbitration.

To Continue Forever

Diplomats here commented that the agreement is likely to be perpetuated beyond the specified period of 50 years, because it provides that "joint control shall be for the duration of 50 years."

If no agreement to the contrary is reached before the expiration of that period, joint control will continue thereafter until such time as it may be modified and terminated by mutual consent."

The necessity for mutual consent to modify the pact is regarded as likely to assume an indefinite prolongation of the pact.

Impartial experts express the opinion that the United States obtained a predominant position in the pact by virtue of the agreement whereby the United States was allowed to construct airports and facilities, and to charge fees for British usage.—United Press.

U.S. RADIO RECRUITING

Seeks Enlistments In Regular Army

WASHINGTON, Apr. 6.

Coinciding with the observation of the 22nd Anniversary of the United States entry into the World War, the War Department to-day began "radio recruiting" in an effort to stimulate enlistments in the regular army and reserve.

Ex-soldiers have been asked to join the "modern minute men" to form a force of 75,000 troops for quick service in the event of war.

The fighting forces on land, sea and air have taken advantage of the War anniversary to demonstrate their power on parades in more than 25 principal cities.

Meanwhile Congressional leaders have advocated strict neutrality and are lining up to fight the delegation to the President of power to declare war.

Representative Hamilton Fish to-day made a radio broadcast charging that President Roosevelt is "Number 1 war monger of America." He asked that the "Roosevelt" crusade be stopped to keep the United States out of war.—United Press.

Danish Royalty In Los Angeles

Los Angeles, Apr. 6.—Crown Prince Frederick of Denmark and the Crown Princess Ingrid arrived here to-day aboard the Motorship Canada. They were greeted by a 21 gun salute from Fort McArthur on the hills overlooking the harbour.—United Press.

CONTINENTAL

STURDY AND STRONG

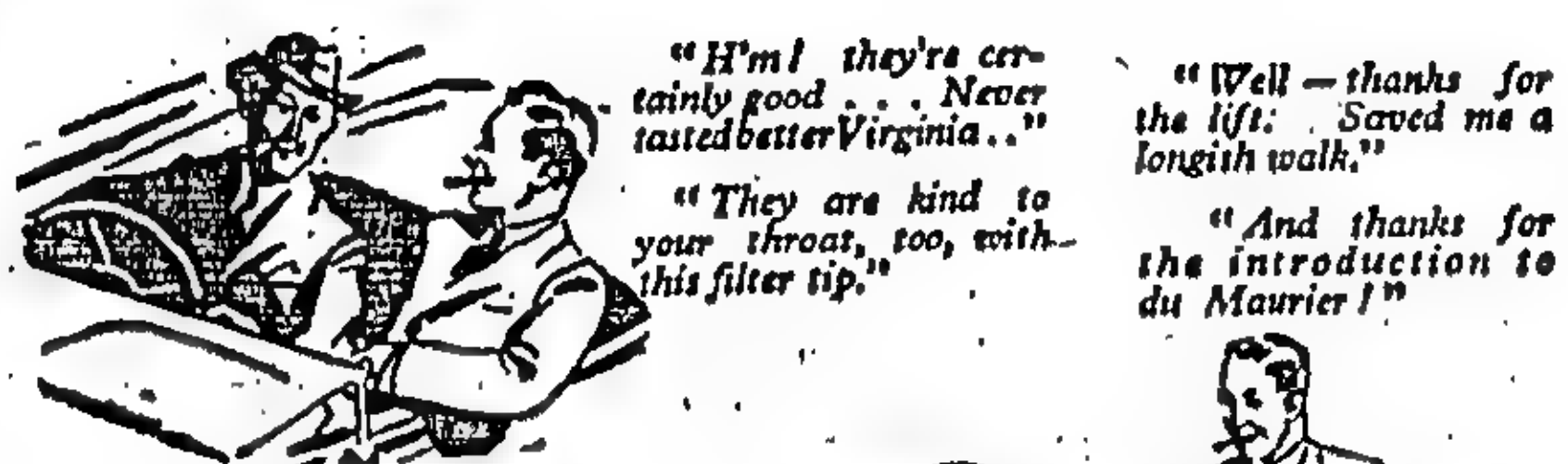
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JAPANESE DOSED WITH OWN MEDICINE IN SOUTH CHINA CHINESE PLANES STAGE BIGGEST RAID OF YEAR

Shanghai, Apr. 8.

CHINESE REPORTS state that 51 Chinese planes staged the biggest air raid over a year yesterday.

They intensively bombed the South China front in retaliation for the Japanese raid on Henyang where a large part of the city is reported to be in flames.

Scores of bodies are reported to be buried in the debris and trapped by flames, therefore the casualties cannot be estimated following the Japanese raid.

Scores of bombs fell throughout the city with newspaper offices, including "Central News" Agency, apparently the main objectives.—United Press.

"Central News" reports that the Japanese at Samshui and Sainam, about 30 miles west of Canton, had a big surprise yesterday morning when Chinese planes appeared suddenly and subjected them to terrific bombing and strafing.

Losses sustained are said to be heavy.

All Chinese planes returned safely to their undisclosed base. On Wednesday, it has just been revealed, Chinese scouting planes reconnoitred over Canton. No little confusion was created in the city when the Chinese mighty eagles circled overhead. However, no bombs were dropped.—Central News.

WAR IN S. CHINA

JAPANESE REPORT FALL OF KONGMOON

CANTON, Apr. 8.

THE HEADQUARTERS of the Japanese Expeditionary Force to South China officially announce that Japanese troops engaged in mopping-up operations in the West River delta captured Kongmoon, the treaty port on the lower reaches of the West River.

The communique admits that Chinese troops have been active during the past week, making repeated counter-attacks on their lost positions. It says, however, that Japanese forces successfully repulsed all Chinese attempts not only in the West and Pearl River deltas but also in the area east of Canton.

Chinese Deserters

The Japanese troops which reduced Kongmoon, staged a triumphant entry into the city on the afternoon of March 31. A force of Chinese troops who surrendered to the Japanese rendered "a signal service" in the attack on Kongmoon, the communique claims.

A large Chinese force attempted to counter-attack Tsengshing, about 40 miles east of Canton, on April 3. Scouting out the Chinese plan, units of the Japanese garrison at the strate-

gic town launched a surprise attack on the Chinese concentration. Leaving over 200 dead behind, the Chinese dispersed in various directions.

Repeated counter-attacks were made by Chinese guerrillas on Tamsui facing Bias Bay since April 3, but all Chinese attacks were vigorously repelled by the Japanese garrison.—Domest.

Fighting in South Hupoh

The Japanese troops at Tungchong, 63 miles east of Yoyang by highway in south Hupoh, launched an attack on the Chinese positions at Kiching and Chungpao, about nine miles south of Tungchong, on Wednesday. They were, however, repelled by heavy Chinese fire, suffering some casualties.

Yesterday morning Chinese forces started a counter-offensive from several directions. Bitter fighting is in progress.—Central News.

Service For Martyr

University President Who Was Shot Dead

A memorial service for Dr. Herman C. E. Liu, martyred President of University of Shanghai, was held at the Baptist Church, Calne Road, on Friday, and was attended by friends and relatives, besides members of more than twelve organisations.

Dr. C. T. Wang, former Chinese Ambassador to Washington, gave a short account of Dr. Liu's life and the work he had done for Chinese youth. At the conclusion of the service, Mr. Franklin Kwangong Liu, the oldest child of the deceased, thanked the assembly for their attendance.

Dr. Liu was shot dead by three assassins a year ago on Friday, at Shanghai.

MR. LYONS' CAREER

(Continued from Page 7.)

try Party, became negligible and the breach was widened by Country Party Ministers acting on their own initiative with Sir Earle's implied approval.

Thus Page's deputy, Thorby, the Defence Minister, answered criticism by Curtin, leader of the Opposition, with the remark that traitors like him should be put up against a wall and shot. For this Lyons exacted an apology. Then the Postmaster-General shut down a trade union wireless station which had commented on his administration.

Various changes had to be made in the Cabinet, notably the replacement of Thorby as a sequel to the Defence muddle. Lyons decided to have an inner Cabinet of six Ministers. The inclusion in it of Thorby, who had been given the new post of Minister for Civil Air Defence and General Works, was strongly criticised. The tension was such that in January 1939, political parties began to prepare for another general election.

Lyons had promised to hold a special session this year to discuss the abolition of State Parliaments. There are six Upper Houses and seven Lower Houses for a population of 7,000,000 and six State Governors.

Cotton Storage

Washington, Apr. 8. Senator Theodore Bilbo has introduced a bill in Congress providing for the storage, as a war reserve, of seven million out of eleven million bales of Government-held cotton.

Another two million bales would be manufactured into pleated goods for free distribution to persons on relief.—United Press.

TRANS-OCEAN JUNK CREW OF SIX EUROPEANS ARRIVE IN HONGKONG, TELL VIVID DRAMA OF

Shipwreck On China Coast, Gaoled As Spies

HELD PRISONERS by Chinese soldiers for nearly four and a half months, thrown into a Chinese gaol which was later bombed by Japanese planes, and daily threatened with execution, six Russians have just arrived in Hongkong.

This morning they told their amazing story of adventure in an exclusive interview with the "Telegraph".

The six men, T. Blinoff, R. Kostiloff, S. Brusentzoff, N. Titoff, E. Ritsheff and A. Slesarchoon, originally planned to sail from Shanghai in a reconverted, 23-foot lifeboat, to the Philippines, from thence to Bangkok, then to the South Sea islands, and on to Africa.

Boxing Champion

Kostiloff is an artist, Brusentzoff is a former middleweight boxing champion of Shanghai, Titoff is a mechanic, Ritsheff is an engineer, and Blinoff, captain of the crew, is the only one with any real experience of the sea.

Fitting out their lifeboat with an engine, sails, fresh water and provisions sufficient to last them until the Philippines were reached, the six Russians set off from Shanghai on their adventure on November 2 last year.

All went well for 20 days and good progress was being made under sail.

Then a storm broke and tore down their masts.

They were 25 miles off the coast of Kwangtung, opposite a little port named Kintzu which is close to Bias Bay when the storm came, and it was decided to put in at Kintzu with the idea of securing bamboo poles to make new sail masts.

Mistaken For Spies

No sooner had they landed, however, than they were arrested by a detachment of Chinese soldiers, who, suspecting them of being spies, took them along for questioning.

Despite the production of passports and other means of identification, the stranded adventurers were told that they were regarded as spies, and that they would be executed.

From Kintzu, the Russians were taken under military escort to Tanghai, about 40 miles inland towards Canton.

There they were thrown into gaol with Chinese criminals under the most appalling and dirty conditions, the six men being cramped together in a small cell.

Three days after their confinement, a fresh horror was added to their experiences when the place was raided by Japanese planes.

One bomb actually fell on a part of the gaol only ten yards from where

the Russians were confined, and only by a miracle did they escape injury. More than half of the prison was destroyed.

Neither was their position made any the brighter by the almost daily threats of execution, which the officer in charge of the soldiers stationed at Tanghai reiterated.

Foreign Office Notified

Through the cold days of December and January the men were held prisoners. They were fed with rice, but in order to obtain food they had to spend the whole of their money, as well as to dispose of their jewelry and other personal effects.

Just when they had become completely resigned to their fate, it was announced that their execution would be delayed until the Chinese Foreign Office at Chungking had been notified of their presence.

Another long delay ensued, with the imprisoned men daily becoming more pitiable in appearance and in feelings. Then last week came the order for their release, and they were set free on Monday.

They were escorted back to Kintzu by armed Chinese soldiers, and there given 24 hours in which to clear out, otherwise, they were told, they would be shot, irrespective of the orders from the Foreign Office.

Everything Stolen

When they returned to their boat, they discovered that everything aboard had been stolen during their absence. Sails, engine, personal belongings, food and water, had all been taken, and as the men were without money or any other resources, their plight was practically as serious as when they faced execution at Tanghai.

They requested compensation for their losses and detention, and were given \$20, but this they had to use immediately to obtain food, bamboo masts and sails in order to escape.

They finally managed to get away, having lost everything they possessed when they started off from Shanghai four months and 12 days before. They arrived in Hongkong yesterday after passing through Bias Bay, and are now seeking financial assistance from friends in Shanghai.

The Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke has been appointed an Official Member of the Executive Council.

Lobrun To Visit America

Apr. 7. "Figaro" states that President Lobrun may visit the United States during the New York World Fair, provided a government invitation is forthcoming. His reception as President makes it impossible for M. Lobrun to travel as a private citizen, as he formerly planned.—United Press.

CHILD'S DEATH

UNCLES AS PALL-BEARERS

THE FUNERAL of Jacqueline Mavis, the 3½-year-old daughter of Inspector W. A. Russell, of the Police Department, and Mrs. Russell, took place at the Protestant Cemetery on Thursday. The Very Rev. Dean Wilson conducted the ceremony.

Jacqueline was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital last Monday suffering from measles. Complications set in and she died on Wednesday night.

She leaves behind her parents and two older brothers, Victor and Roy, the latter being in a boarding-school at Reading.

The pall-bearers were the four uncles of the little girl, Messrs. G. T. May, J. May, F. E. Russell and G. T. Padgett. Inspector and Mrs. Russell and Mrs. G. T. May were the chief mourners.

Among those present at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Post, Mr. and Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. Moreton, Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Smith, Miss Smith, Mrs. Wray, Mrs. Souza, Mrs. Hawke, Mrs. Priest, Sgt. J. Matthews, Inspector W. Main, Eddie Chui, Lily Cheung, Mrs. Hanson, Mr. T. Harness, Sgt. Hayward, Inspector Armit, Miss M. Lavada, the child's nanny, and many others.

Wreaths from Mummy and Daddy, Auntie Tom and Uncle George, Roy and Victor were buried with the coffin.

Other wreaths included those sent by Denis and Pamela (cousins), George and Ida, Jack, Anna, Noel, Chan, and Mrs. Hunt, Doris, Elsie and Len, Busy Bees Working Party, Grandma, Uncle Fred, Uncle John, Jo-Jo, Billy and Annette Hilary, Luis and Elaine Souza, Mr. and Mrs. R. McEwen, Mr. A. B. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Armit and Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. Kirby and Berrie, Paton (Stanley Station), the Moss family, Mr. and Mrs. Allison, Eddie Chui and Lily Cheung, Mr. D. Lindale, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hemley, Auntie Marian and Auntie Bloum, Mr. and Mrs. R. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. Collins, Fred and Arthur, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hanson, Lena, Bill and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Darkin, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Post, Mr. and Mrs. W. Main, Mr. and Mrs. H. Quistgaard, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hynes, Mr. Glendinning, Kay and Bo, Mr. and Mrs. Peor, Sgt. and Mrs. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Ware, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Thornhill, Sgt. Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Paul, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hollands, Mr. and Mrs. S. Deacon and family, Mac A. 104, Eleanor R. Lester, Ip Chak (Shaukiwan Station), Lam Ching (Shaukiwan Station), Chan Ho, Wong Yuk, Chan Shing (Shaukiwan Police Station), Li Wa-on (Shaukiwan Station), Evans L. S. A. 159 Kung Ya Villa (Shaukiwan), Pilkington L. S. A. 213 Tam Wai-in and Wan Ying-chueh, A. Karim, Ng Si-kwan (Harbour Office "Q") members of Central Mess, Sergeants Mess Lyemun, Chinese constables Shaukiwan, Indian staff (Shaukiwan Station).

GANGSTER SHOT DEAD "G-Men" Get Their Man

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Apr. 6. AGENTS of the Federal Bureau of Investigation shot and killed Benjamin J. (Benny) Dickson, the Kansas desperado, when he reached for his gun.

Dickson was shot dead as "G-men" sought to arrest him outside a restaurant, which had been surrounded by six G-men.

When Dickson left the restaurant, G-men told him that he was under arrest, whereupon he reached for his gun but fell under a fusillade of bullets, dying en route to hospital.

Dickson was wanted for two bank robberies in South Dakota and a kidnapping in Michigan.—United Press.

New Syrian Government

Damascus, Apr. 7. A new Syrian Government has been formed, and Nasouhi Boukiri, the former War Minister, becomes the Premier.

Khaledazem has been appointed Minister for Foreign Affairs and of Justice.

The only Minister in the last Cabinet which resigned on March 14, after only three weeks in office, is Selmdjambart, Minister for National Economy.—Reuter.

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HUNGARIAN CLAIMS ON RUMANIA

Budapest, Apr. 6. A return of those parts of Transylvania inhabited by Hungarians represents the minimum claim by Hungary on Rumania.

This statement appears in to-day's "Memorandum," leading Budapest newspaper, which is regarded as the mouthpiece of the Hungarian Government.

Relations between the two countries cannot be normalised, it is asserted, until recourse has been made to the principle of this issue.

Other parts of Transylvania should be given a far-reaching measure of self-government, it is contended.

Another newspaper, commenting on the London negotiations, emphatically insists that Hungary has never renounced its claim to territory handed over to Rumania by the Treaty of Trianon. It is prepared to exert its strength in support of its claims, as was testified by the attitude adopted by Hungary during the last few weeks.

Transylvania, declares the Government organ, "Esz Ujseg," has now moved into the orbit of international discussion. One of the reasons why it has been found impossible to restore the balance of power in Europe lies in the fact that the scales were upset when Hungary was dismembered 20 years ago. Now the world is coming to realise how foolish it was to destroy the only compact political and geographical unit in the Danubian region.—Trans-Ocean.

Carol Inspects Border Zone

Bucharest, Apr. 6. King Carol of Rumania, accompanied by Premier Calinescu and War Minister Slavici, visited several towns in western Rumania near the Hungarian border to-day, and inspected troops.

An official communique says that the king was enthusiastically welcomed by troops and the population.—Trans-Ocean.

Reich-Rumanian Talks To Start

Berlin, Apr. 6. The forthcoming visit of the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, to Germany was confirmed to-day by an official statement, which says that M. Gafencu will pay a visit to Berlin in the near future at the invitation of the Reich Foreign Minister, in the course of his journey to foreign countries, beginning on April 16.

M. Gafencu is expected to reach Berlin on the 18th and to remain there for two days.—Trans-Ocean.

U.S. RECOGNITION OF GERMAN INFLUENCE

WASHINGTON, Apr. 7.—A proclamation by President Roosevelt, released by the State Department, to put into effect the Turkish-American agreement, indicates that the President considers Slovakia to be under German administration.

The proclamation states that the "products of Slovakia shall be regarded as the products of Germany."

State Department officials declared that on the strength of the proclamation, the United States would refuse to credit any German representations that Slovakia was an independent nation.—Reuter.

HOME FOOTBALL

LEADERS DRAW AWAY IN TWO DIVISIONS

London, Apr. 7. Both Everton and Blackburn Rovers have drawn further away in the First and Second Divisions respectively in the English Football League as the result of the matches played to-day. Despite having to play away, both these teams won.

Everton visited Sunderland and emerged victorious by the odd goal in three, while Blackburn went to Fulham to win by the odd goal in five.

Sheffield Wednesday, Blackburn's closest rivals, failed against Millwall and were defeated by two goals to nil.

Newport, leaders of the southern section of the Third Division, just got through by the only goal of the match against Torquay, and Barnsley, leaders of the northern section, playing away to Stockport, were held to a draw of 1-1.

The following were the scores of matches, as cable by Reuter:

FIRST DIVISION

Blackpool	1	Arsenal	0
Brentford	3	Preston N.E.	0
Charlton	2	Chelsea	0
Grimsby	3	Huddersfield	0
Liverpool	4	Birmingham	0
Manchester U.	0	Leeds	0
Portsmouth	1	Derby	2
Sunderland	1	Everton	3

SECOND DIVISION

Burnley	2	Sheffield U.	3
Bury	1	Manchester C.	5
Chesterfield	2	Newcastle	0

Mr. A. G. W. Tickle has been appointed a Member of the Legislative Council during the absence on leave of the Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson.

Mr. Chau Wei-cheung has been appointed a Member of the Medical Board for a term of three years.

Fulham	2	Blackburn	3
Luton	0	Southampton	2
Millwall	2	Wednesday	0
Notts Forest	2	West Brom.	0
Tottenham	1	Plymouth	0
Tranmere	2	Swansea	0
West Ham	0	Bradford	2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Aldershot	1	Watford	1
Brighton	1	Bournemouth	0
Bristol R.	2	Walsall	0
Clapton O.	3	Exeter	0
Crystal Pal.	3	Bristol C.	2
Mansfield	0	Reading	0
Newport	1	Torquay	0
Port Vale	3	Notts C.	1
Queen's P.R.	0	Ipwich	0
Southend	2	Cardiff	0
Swindon	1	Northampton	0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Carlisle	1	York	3
Chester	1	Barrow	2
Crewe	3	Rochdale	1
Darlington	3	Wrexham	1
Doncaster	7	Accrington	1
Hartlepool	3	Gateshead	1
Hull	1	Halifax	0
Lincoln	1	Oldham	0
Southport	1	Rotherham	0
Stockport	1	Barnsley	1
New Brighton	2	Bradford C.	1

Mr. F. J. R. Mitchell has been appointed a Member of the Traffic Board during the absence from the Colony of Mr. G. S. Archibutt.

Mr. M. M. Watson has been appointed Member of the Medical Board for a term of three years.

REICH ATTACKS ON ANGLO-POLES

BERLIN, Apr. 6.

THE GERMAN news broadcast to-night said: "Poland is now venturing out into things from which it is well known that it is questionable that one can return safely."

Using language which is practically identical with semi-official diplomatic and political correspondence, the *National Zeitung* reiterates Germany's attitude on the Polish-British agreement in the most unfavourable terms, stating that Germany never intended to attack Poland.—United Press.

BUCHAREST, Apr. 6. The Anglo-Polish agreements have been warmly received here.

It is felt that the Rumanian-Polish alliance might be the means of securing British help in case Rumania is attacked.

It is also felt that the clause in the Anglo-Polish agreement, extending British aid in this case, would not be considered in Berlin as an unfriendly act.—United Press.

Beck Departs

London, Apr. 7. Colonel Beck to-day left for Warsaw on completion of the negotiations for a pact of mutual assistance.—Reuter.

In the House of Lords to-day, Lord Plymouth replied to a query by Viscount Cecil as to whether it would be for the Polish or British Government to decide what constituted a threat to Polish independence.

It stands to reason, declared Lord Plymouth, that if Poland itself does not believe its independence to be imperilled, no other country would be able to take a different view. Where matters of such grave character are concerned, it is to be expected that the Polish Government will keep the British Government fully informed of every phase of development. It is unlikely that differences of opinion of any kind will arise as the policy of both governments is identical with respect to the need of resisting domination by force.—Trans-Ocean.

Warsaw Pleased

Warsaw, Apr. 6. Authoritative Polish quarters express satisfaction with the announcement of the reciprocal Anglo-Polish pledge of assistance made by Mr. Chamberlain to-day.

Polish circles are anxious to interpret the mutual agreement as purely defensive, and not directed against anybody.

They are of the opinion that the agreement is not contrary to the German-Polish non-aggression pact, and has therefore, no effect upon the latter.—Trans-Ocean.

Final Talks

London, Apr. 7. Col. Beck had a final talk at the Foreign Office with Lord Halifax late on Thursday evening, in order to clear up outstanding points.

In an interview with the Press after the final conversations, Colonel Beck expresses optimism regarding the future development of permanent and stable collaboration between the British and Polish governments.

He explained that both sides were inspired by a spirit of peace and conciliation in respect of all nations.

"We both have thought it right to affirm our solidarity by an agreed declaration," the Polish Foreign Minister said.

It is understood that Colonel Beck is seeing M. Tille, the Rumanian Minister to London, who returned from Bucharest, after consulting his Government.—Reuter.

To Visit Paris

Paris, Apr. 7. The Polish Ambassador to France proceeded to Calais this morning in order to meet Colonel Beck and to accompany him to Brussels.

The Ambassador will inform the French Government of the views of the Polish Government on current diplomatic talks.

It seems highly likely that Col. Beck will visit Paris at the beginning of May.—Reuter.

Germany's Offer

Berlin, Apr. 7. Germany offered to guarantee Poland's "complete independence and territorial integrity" for half a generation, according to the "Voelkischer Beobachter."

In return, Germany asked for the return of the "small, compact area" which is inhabited exclusively by Germans and for free passage northwards for Germans.

The "small, compact area" is presumably Danzig.

These details supplement the inspired statement issued on Wednesday, in which reference was made to recent talks between Germany and Poland.—Reuter.

Paris Reception

Paris, Apr. 7. Mr. Neville Chamberlain's announcement regarding Poland has been well received here.

Regret is expressed, particularly among the Left-Wing politicians that a detailed engagement has not yet been concluded.

The Left also criticises Poland's reluctance to see the Soviet drawn into the system of collective security. A Berlin message says that Mr. Chamberlain's announcement in the House of Commons on Poland has been the subject of a conference at the Wilhelmstrasse.

German political circles do not disguise their satisfaction that Poland is apparently unwilling to have dealings with the Soviet, or to strengthen ties with Rumania.

These circles state that they believe Colonel Beck's attitude in London indicates that Poland is not inclined to join in any encirclement policy against Germany.—Reuter.

Rejected By Poland

Berlin, Apr. 6. It has been revealed by authoritative sources here that shortly before the Polish Foreign Minister proceeded to London, Poland rejected a three-point settlement proposed by Germany.

The proposal included the cession of Danzig to Germany.

Political circles here discount the chance of Germany answering the Anglo-Polish Pact by force at present. However, they consider the tension to be sharply increased.

It is understood that Herr Hitler at Berchtesgaden during the weekend will be surrounded by his political advisers.

Official circles here, angered at the Anglo-Polish agreement, have hinted at reprisals at least, and diplomatic counter attacks are expected.

They have also predicted a German denunciation of the Anglo-German Naval Treaty.

It has been learned that the Italian Ambassador to Germany brought the German Foreign Minister a personal message from Mussolini, in answer to a message from Hitler.—United Press.

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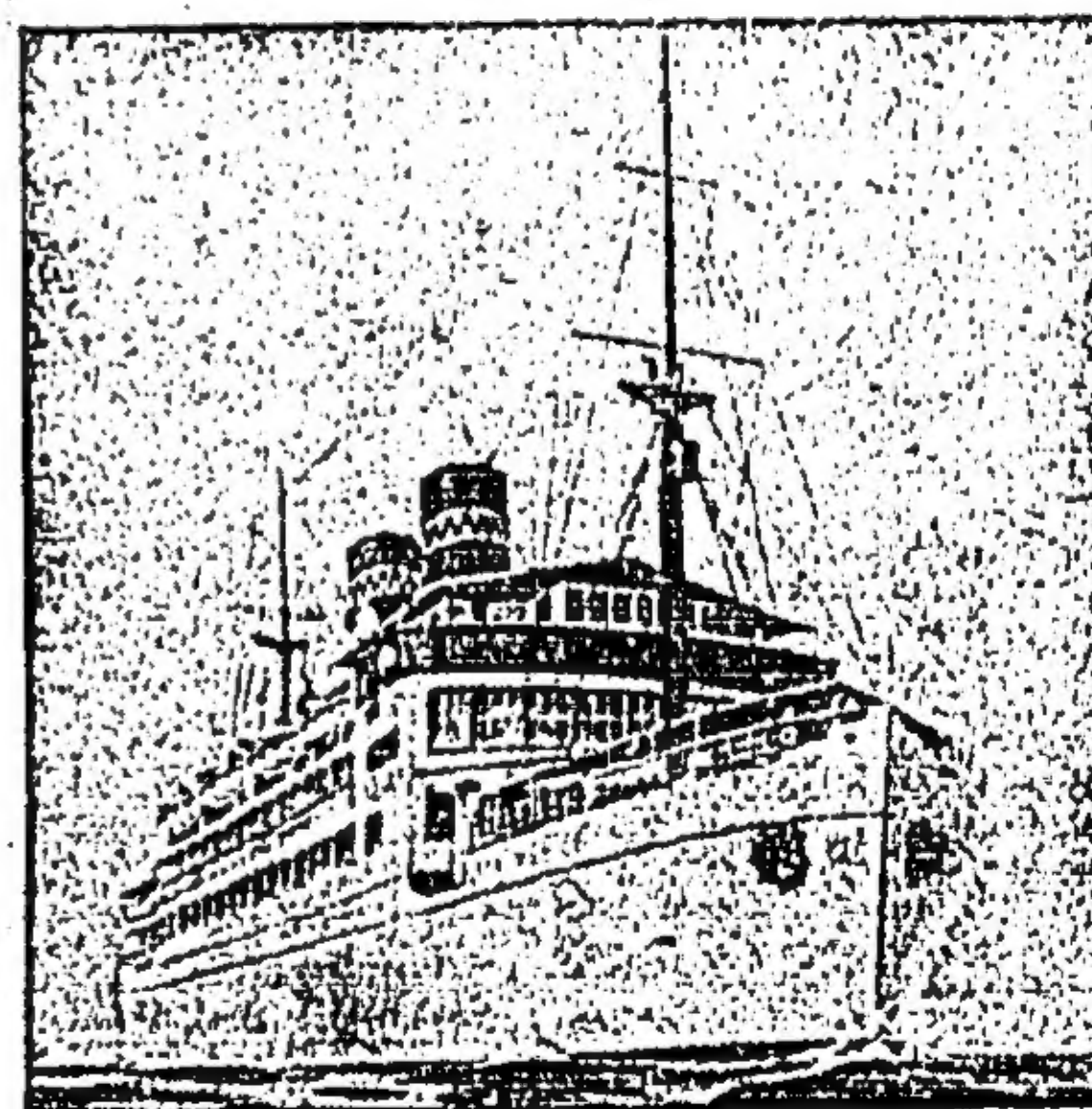
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World Reactions To Invasion

Mussolini Tears Up Another Treaty As Invasion Commences

PARIS, Apr. 7.
MUSSOLINI'S SWIFT MOVE TO ANNEX ALBANIA HAS LEFT THE WESTERN POWERS GUESSING AND UNABLE TO ACT.

It is known that the British Government warned the Italian Foreign Minister that an act of this nature would upset the status quo.

The Italians replied declaring that the occupation is really due to King Zog's initiative and that therefore there is no basis for the denunciation of the Anglo-Italian pact.

The pact, however, lays down that the status quo would be disturbed if the national sovereignty of any State in the Balkans is violated. The inaction of the Yugo-Slavs in the face of this threat to their existence, by the closing of the Adriatic and the placing of the keys in the hands of Mussolini, has aroused much speculation in the chancelleries of the western powers.

The question is being asked whether Rome and Belgrade may not have fixed up some secret agreement under which Italy obtains an entirely free hand in Albania.

Risky For Slavs

This would appear to be a risky procedure for Yugo-Slavs since it would place her at the mercy of both Germany and Italy with diminished prospects of effective aid either from France or Britain because the Italians will henceforth dominate the entire Adriatic.

The Albanian coup was modelled on Hitler's march into Czechoslovakia, as the Italians move into the country in order to "safeguard peace and prevent the spread of Bolshevism."

New Vantage Point

The Yugo-Slavs declare they have no reason to move against Mussolini's annexation move, apparently overlooking the fact that the friendship pact which was concluded between Italy and Yugo-Slavia expressly stated that the status quo in the Adriatic must not be disturbed.

The Italian absorption of Albania will give the totalitarians a new vantage point from which to exercise pressure on the Balkan States to prevent their participation in the British-French-Polish chain against aggressor powers.

Thus, Yugo-Slavs and Greece, who are candidates for membership of the new line-up, will be under the immediate pressure of Italy, if Albania comes entirely under the Italian Empire.

Observers comment that if the western powers have any real determination to resist aggression they would immediately give unofficial aid to Albania, to preserve their independence and to effectively resist the dictators' latest blow against the democracies.—United Press.

Yugo-Slavia Silent

Belgrade, Apr. 7.
It is learned that Albania has demanded the assistance of Yugo-Slavia, but that Yugo-Slavia has refused the demands in view of the treaty of friendship existing between Italy and Yugo-Slavia.

Another Rome message says that when Lord Perth saw Count Ciano, the latter gave the British Ambassador "full explanations and the necessary assurances."—Reuter.

BRITAIN AND FRANCE

Britain has consulted with France regarding the Albanian developments.

It is understood that neither Paris nor London envisage any practical measures to restrain the Fascists, although it is understood that Sir Alexander Cadogan described the attack as "clear" violation of the Anglo-Italian friendship treaty.—United Press.

MOSCOW

The Vice Commissar of Defence, M. Levmezhnikov, declared that Russia is "prepared for any eventuality."

He said that Russia is not concerned regarding the threats from abroad, and is not looking for any foreign allies.—United Press.

BURGOS

Advices from Burgos say that the Nationalists are adhering to a policy of "complete neutrality" in event the dictators and democracies clash.—United Press.

WASHINGTON

Mr. Cordell Hull held a long telephone conversation with President Roosevelt at Warm Springs to-day on the situation created in Albania.

It is understood that the conversations dealt with the effects on American relations with Italy and Albania, says Reuter.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull had no comment to make on Albanian developments, pending more complete information.

He said there are some Americans in Tirana who have taken refuge in the United States Legation.

Also he said there are three United States naval vessels in Spanish waters ready for use if necessary.—United Press.

BERLIN

Germany has ranged herself solidly behind Italy.

The official German News Agency warns: "Germany has the fullest understanding for the protection of Italian interests, and would be able neither to understand nor approve any desire on the part of the western powers to intervene."

Meanwhile, it is understood that the German Foreign Minister personally conveyed to the Polish Ambassador the German view that the

Anglo-Polish alliance is considered to form an important part of the policy of encirclement of Germany.

Nazi quarters here do not hesitate to say that eventually Germany must have Danzig and the Polish Corridor.—United Press.

German approval of the Italian action in Albania is implied in the presumably inspired comment in the "Deutsches Allgemeine Zeitung" which declares that Italy is directly interested in Albania.

Her Adriatic policy is determined by a resolution to preserve peace.—Reuter.

PARIS

French diplomatic dispatches said King Zog intends retreating to the mountain fastnesses and leading guerrilla fighting. All advices indicate that the Albanians will not consent to an Italian protectorate, but that they are hopeless against odds.

The United States Ambassador to France is keeping in close touch with the French Foreign Minister.

It is believed here that Mussolini acted in Albania because of the serious European situation, hoping to bottle up the Adriatic and prevent Yugo-Slavia and perhaps Greece from joining the anti-Hitler bloc.

In a continuous session the Albanian Parliament unanimously rejected the Italian ultimatum and insisted that the entire nation defend their independence. The French Foreign Office has announced that any French action is not likely because at the end of the World War, France, Britain and the United States recognised Italy's special interest in Albania.—United Press.

Paris, Apr. 7.
French officials are closely watching developments in Albania.

While there is anxiety, it appears improbable that any steps will be taken at this particular juncture. It is pointed out that juridically Italy is granted by Britain and France their right to form a protectorate over Albania, and no vital interests are involved in the present move, although the fact that Italian occupation of Albania would turn the Adriatic into a purely Italian lake is technically a breach of the understanding.

It is also pointed out that this is capable of turning against the interests of Germany herself, were any attempt to be made on Trieste.

Anxiety is felt, however, whether the Albanian move is not the beginning of the Axis plan for a combined drive into the Eastern Mediterranean and beyond.

If so, the situation is regarded as extremely serious, although it is tempered by Colonel Beck's successful visit to London. But if it is only a gesture on the part of Mussolini for the sake of prestige, it is considered that the Western Powers must wait to see whether Hitler and Mussolini are impressed by Anglo-French co-operation, or are determined to go headlong forward in pursuit of their purpose.—Reuter.

LONDON

British official circles feel that it is essential to wait until the situation is crystallised, and official reports received, and considered before any considered judgment on the situation in Albania can be formed.

It is pointed out that many of the reports are contradictory, and other governments, including Yugo-Slavia are experiencing similar difficulties in obtaining authoritative reports.

But it had been observed that the Italian Government on April 4 informed the British Government that it had no wish whatever to change the status quo in Albania, and in a scheme which they formulated earlier to the Albanian Government through normal diplomatic channels, for closer Italo-Albanian relations, they had not implied any diminution of the sovereignty, integrity and independence of Albania.

No official comments were available yet, but it was understood that the Government was endeavouring to establish contact with the Italian Government through the Italian Minister at Athens.—Domei.

ATHENS

Greece is shocked by a rumour that, taking advantage of the occupation of Albania, Italy will eventually move to occupy Corfu Island. Prime Minister General Metaxas summoned an urgent Cabinet Council this morning to discuss the situation.

No official comments were available yet, but it was understood that the Government was endeavouring to establish contact with the Italian Government through the Italian Minister at Athens.—Domei.

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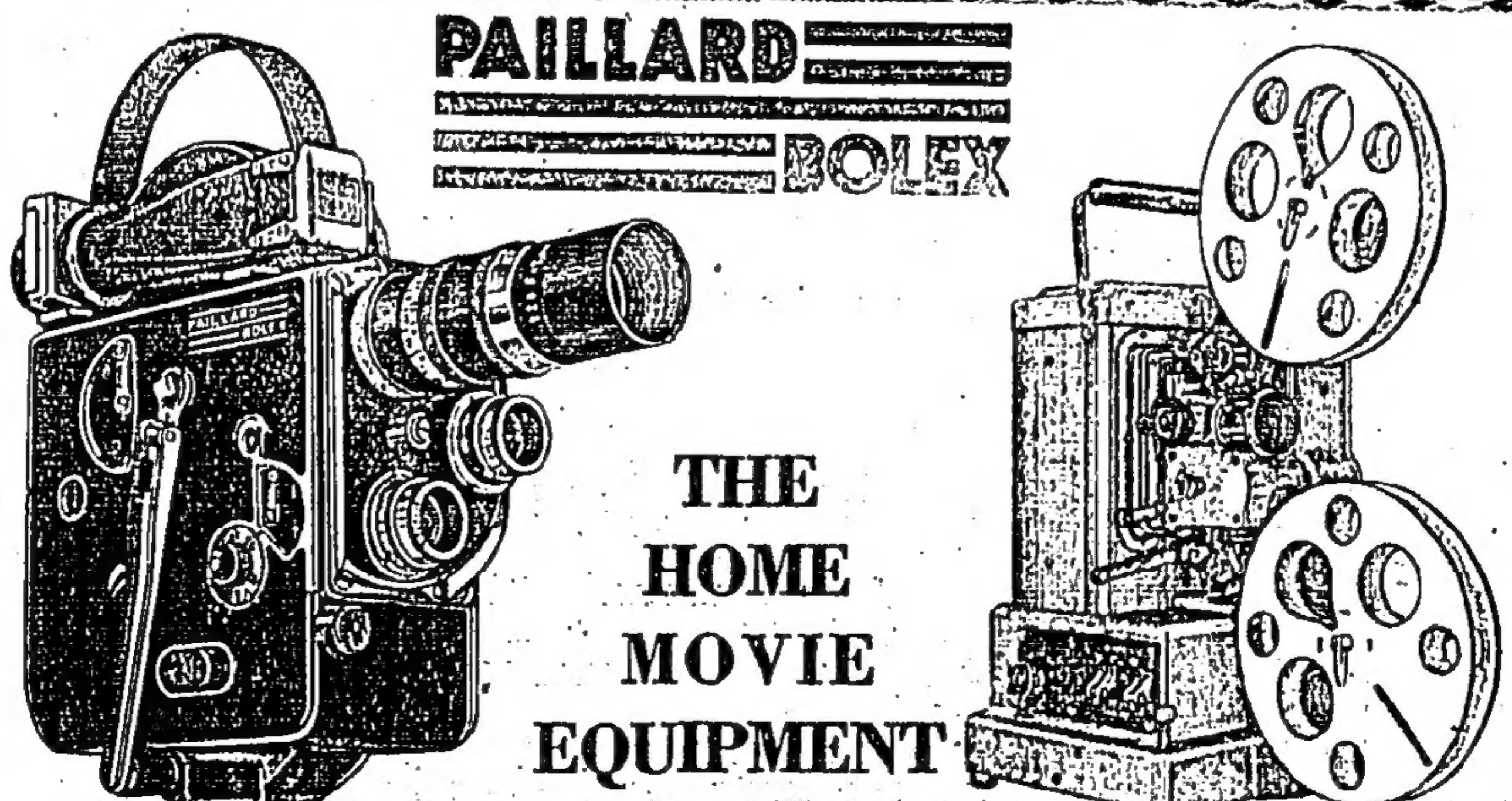


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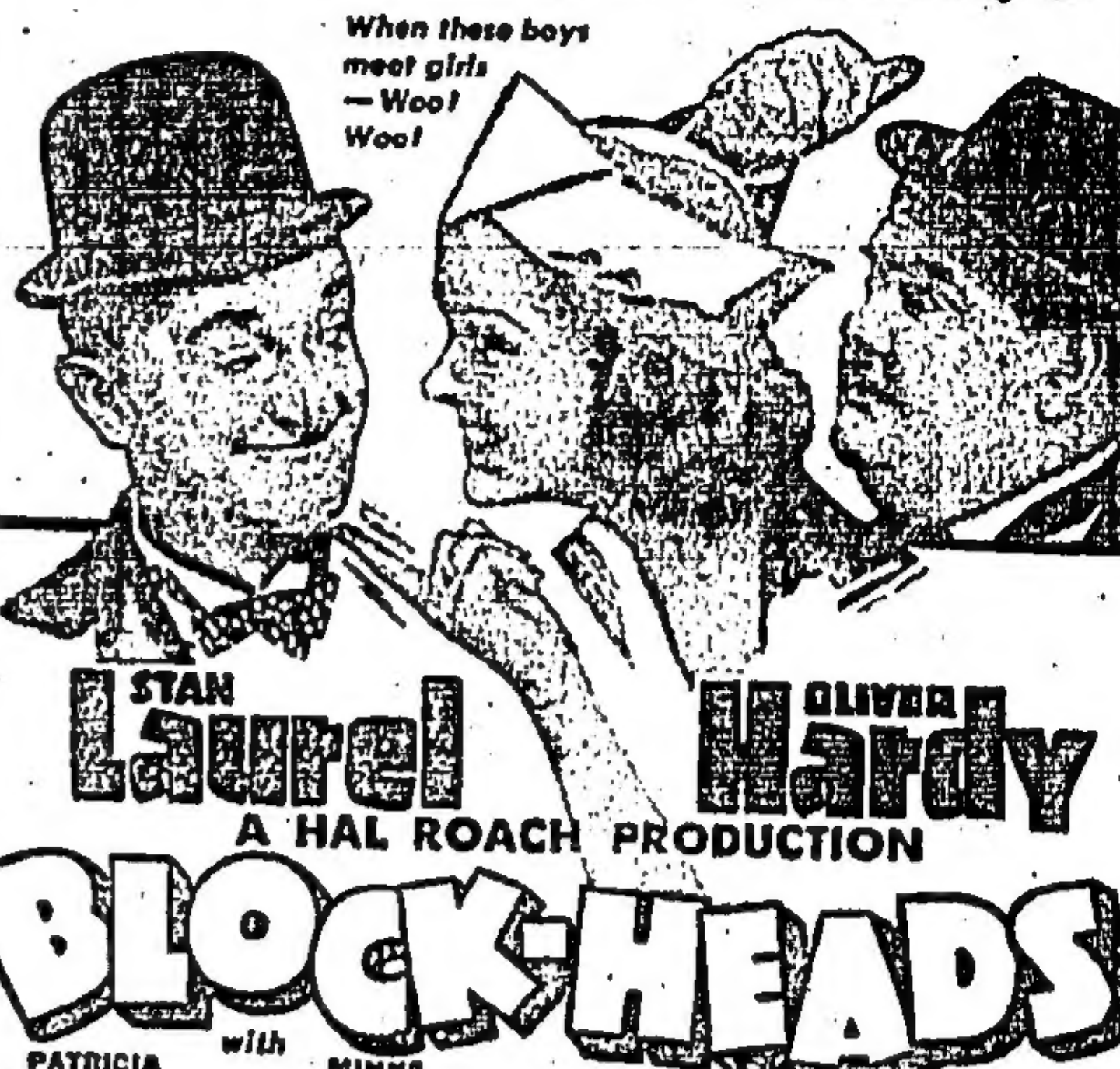
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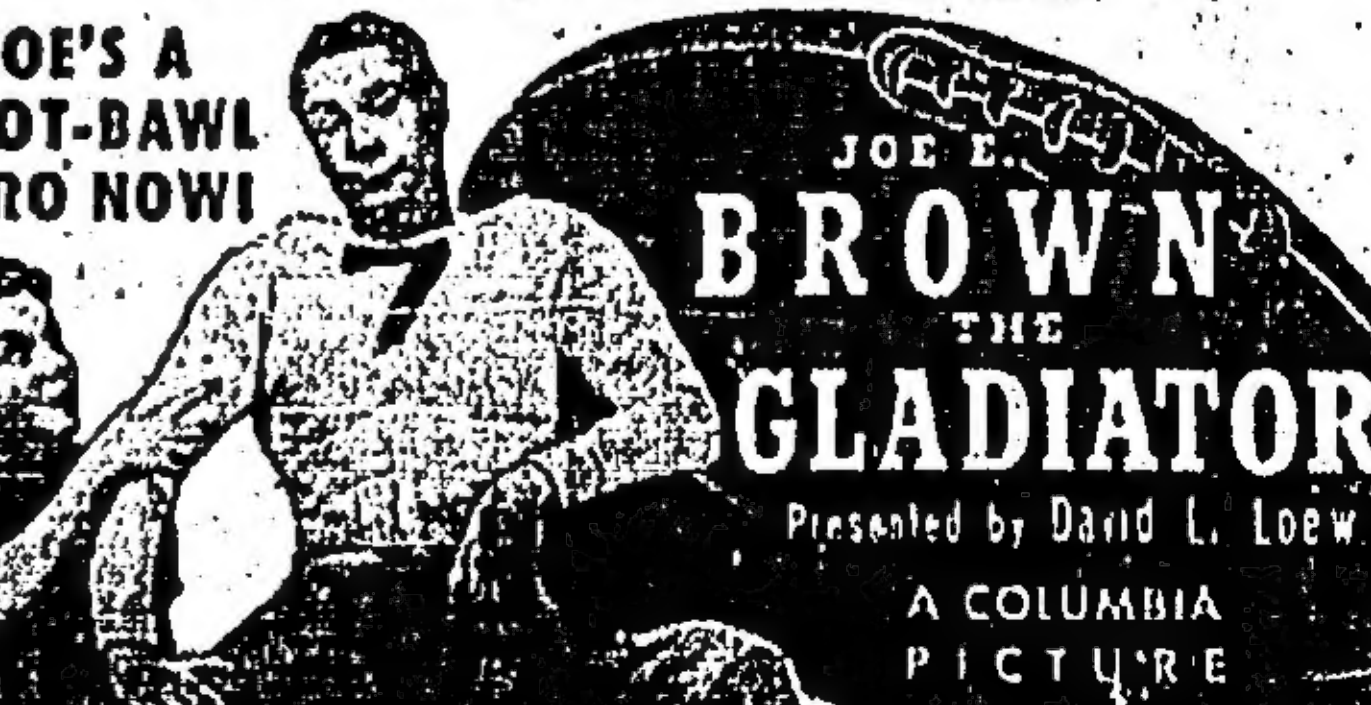
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